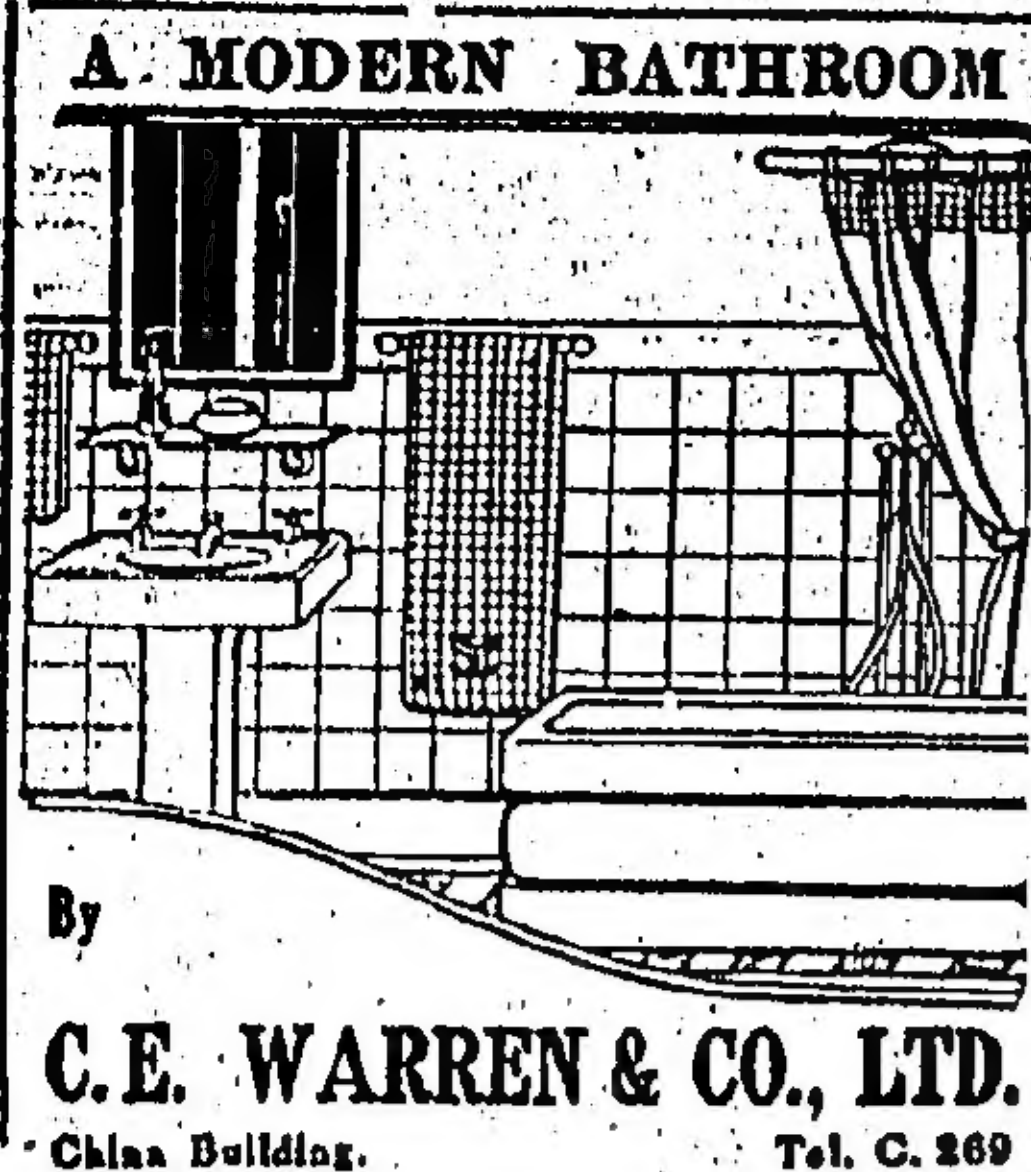


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STARTLING EVIDENCE BY WAGLAN LIGHT KEEPER.

VITAL TIME WASTED.

Startling evidence to the effect that twenty valuable minutes were wasted in getting through a distress message after the Hsin Wah had struck was given by Mr. W. F. Hag, the Lighthouse Keeper at Waglan, this morning when the inquest on the body of a victim of the disaster was opened.

Apparently, the radio operator at the Hongkong end was unable to grasp the meaning of the message sent through, continually asking for words to be repeated and, spelt out. Eventually, the light-keeper got into contact with the supervisor, and the warning of the wreck was given.

The Harbour Master joined Mr. R. E. Lindsell on the Bench for the inquest, the terms of reference for which are extremely wide. These include: Whether the ship was properly found, equipped and navigated; whether proper measures were taken on board after the vessel struck; and whether more could have been done by the shore authorities in the matter of rescue work.

HARBOUR MASTER ON BENCH.

Associated with the Coroner (Mr. R. E. Lindsell) on the Bench was the Hon. Comdr. G. F. Ho, R.N., the Harbour Master.

The jury empaneled comprised Captain A. W. Davison and Messrs. J. W. C. Bonnar and Wong Kwong-tin.

Owing to his connexion with the early rescue work, Mr. W. Greig, of the Kowloon Dock Co., who was in charge of the tug Henry Keswick, was excused from jury service.

Mr. M. M. Watson, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, was instructed to appear on behalf of the China Merchants Steam Navigation Company, owners of the s.s. Hsin Wah.

At the outset of the proceedings, the Coroner said that the enquiry was undertaken with the view to establishing, if possible, the identity of the dead man with which the enquiry was concerned, and also the circumstances under which he came by his death. If the jury found that he lost his life through the sinking of the Hsin Wah, it would be their duty further to ascertain the causes of that catastrophe leading to the loss of so many lives.

Scope of Enquiry.

In that connexion, it would be material whether or not, the ship was properly found, equipped and navigated; whether proper measures were taken on board, after the ship had grounded, by her officers, and whether any more could have been done at the time or before by the shore authorities in the way of rescue work. At the conclusion of the evidence available, he would direct the jury on any points of law that might affect their verdict.

The first witness called was Capt. C. H. Thompson, Chief boarding officer, of the Harbour Department, who went out on the tug Henry Keswick on the afternoon of the 16th, to search for survivors from the wreck. He stated that he proceeded first to Waglan, and then to the north of the Poo Tai Group. From Poo Tai, he went to the North-East Head, which was directly north of Poo Tai.

Returning to South of Poo Tai, witness next proceeded in the tug to Ling Ting Island, which was about five miles south of Cheung Chau. There he saw some wreckage, consisting of an ice-chest, a hatch-cover, and two or three crates of cigarettes.

Body Found.

Then he discovered a ship's raft, on which a man was lying. He thought the man was alive, but when he put alongside he found the man to be dead. He had one leg jammed underneath the raft. A life-jacket was also on the raft, but away from the body. It had been caught between the split

ends of one of the bamboo shafts of the raft.

He made a further search, and, just before dark, he picked up a life-boat at a point N. 45 deg. W. of Ling-tin. It had the name of the ship-wrecked vessel painted in European letters on the bow. Although there was water in the boat, it was not waterlogged and he took it in tow back to Hongkong.

Examined by the Coroner, witness said there was no one in the life-boat, which was empty except for a few pieces of clothing. He handed the dead body, life-boat and raft to the police on the return of the tug.

Rough Weather.

The Coroner:—What was the weather like?

Witness: Very strong north-east monsoon, with big seas.

The Coroner:—Could any ordinary launch maintain headway against that monsoon?

Witness:—A harbour launch? No, your Worship.

Witness was the smallest type of craft that could be used out there in such weather?—A tug boat.

Witness added that even the Henry Keswick, large as she was, had great difficulty in putting alongside the raft. It tossed about like a cork.

Examined by the jury, witness said that the raft was of the type found on most China coastal steamers. It was made of air-tight drums lashed together with bamboo, which, in the present case, were broken in places. He could not say if the life-boat was broken. It would be examined by the persons to whom he handed the boat on his return.

Crown Sergeant Wright of the Water Police, said he took over the dead-body from the previous witness and removed it to the Kowloon Mortuary. Witness said that there was a life-jacket on the body, which he had to cut away.

The Coroner remarked that they had been told by the previous witness that there was no life-jacket on the body when he picked it up from the raft.

Recalled, Capt. Thompson was positive he did not see any life-jacket on the body, other than the one he found detached from it on the raft. It might be, he said, that the life-jacket was put on the body by one or other of those on the Henry Keswick to keep the body warm, in case there was still life in it.

Life-Jackets in Court.

Resuming, Sergeant Wright said that the life-jacket he took from the body was similar to those he saw in the possession of survivors on the following day at the Water Police Station.

The life-jackets as shown in Court at this stage, were made of supposedly air-tight material with a stuffing of cotton wool. One of the

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BRITISH AIRCRAFT FOR CHINA.

14 AVRO-AVIAN LIGHT PLANES ORDERED.

FLIGHT FROM BRITAIN TO CHINA PROPOSED.

HISTORIC PROJECT.

Despite the tremendous fillip given to the reputation of American aeroplanes by the memorable long-distance flight made by Gen. Cheung Wal-cheung in a Ryan monoplane, and severe competition from Germany, British aeroplanes, thanks to the wonderful range of light machines, are finding an increasing market in China.

It was announced only a few days ago that a contract for the supply of four de Havilland Gipsy Moths to the Chinese Aviation Bureau at Nanking had been signed through Captain W. E. F. Jones, D.F.C., bringing up the number of Moths for China to eight, and placing British aircraft in a numerically strong position.

Order Placed in England.

A Reuter message from London received this morning reveals that British planes will soon overwhelmingly outnumber those of other countries, an order having been placed with the A. V. Roe Works, for the supply of fourteen Avro-Avian two-seater light-planes to China.

Additional interest is added to the purchase by the announcement that the first of the machines to be completed will be fitted with the latest slotted-wing device, designed to prevent stalling, and will be flown from Britain to China for delivery.

First Land Flight to China.

Apart from other considerations, the flight will be of historical interest since it will be the first time that a flight has been made from Britain to China in a land machine.

The Avro-Avian machine like the de Havilland Gipsy Moth embodies the latest developments in the light aeroplane field, and both types have been in great demand in the United States and other countries, where machines of their size and capabilities have not been developed.

In view of the great interest in aviation aroused in China within recent months, it is believed there is a great future before these British machines, both of which hold many records.

It is certain that the contracts were obtained in the face of the keenest competition by German and American aeroplane constructors, and that the choice fell on the British machines only after minute examination of their technical qualities.

Slotted-Wing Device.

It is believed that the majority of them will be used for the development of commercial air services, and it is interesting to note in this connexion, that all will be fitted with the Handley-Page automatic slotted wing control. This new patent slot, when attached to aircraft, very considerably increases the stability of the aircraft in flight and very considerably reduces the possibility of a crash "through stalling the machine," and also has a remarkable effect in minimizing the possibility of a spin through the loss of sufficient lifting force on either wing of the aircraft due to technical error on the part of the pilot, or for a number of other reasons common in aeronautics.

AMERICAN CRUISER LAUNCH.

LATEST 10,000-TON VESSEL TAKES THE WATER.

Washington, Jan. 24. The latest United States cruiser "Salt Lake City" was launched at Camden, New Jersey, to-day, in the presence of Mr. Curtis Wilbur, the Secretary to the Navy.

The warship is of 10,000 tons, of a type somewhat similar to the British County class.—Reuter's American Service.

THE KING.

SLOW PROGRESS WELL MAINTAINED.

PROBLEM OF THE JOURNEY TO BOGNOR.

REGAINING STRENGTH.

It was officially stated at Buckingham Palace to-day that the King's progress has been maintained. It is not expected that any bulletin will be issued before to-morrow night.

The King is regaining strength, but so slow is this process that at least two weeks must elapse before he will be strong enough to be moved to Craigwell House, near Bognor, where he will go to recuperate.

The only feature that does not give cause for satisfaction at the present time is that His Majesty's weight does not increase. It is hoped that the change of air will have a beneficial effect. The Queen will accompany the King to Bognor. It is now thought likely that His Majesty will make the journey by train.

The problem presented is whether the shorter journey by train, which would necessitate the removal of the King from car to the train in London, and from the train to another car at Bognor, would have greater advantages than an uninterrupted journey by road, which would take much longer.

THE CHANNEL TUNNEL PROJECT.

French Government Ready To Go Ahead.

AMBASSADOR'S COMMENT.

London, Jan. 24.

A very important statement on the Channel Tunnel project was made this evening at a dinner given by the House of Commons for the purpose of discussing the scheme.

The French Ambassador, Monsieur de Fleurbaey, who was one of the principal guests, stated that he had been authorised to say that the French Government is ready, to take the matter in hand, and make the necessary agreement or arrangement.

The announcement was greeted with applause, and has created additional interest in the proposals.—Reuter.

An advantage of the train would be that it could be so comfortably fitted that little motion would be felt.—British Wireless.

COMMUNISTS SACK SMALL CITY.

MUCH BLOODSHED IN RAID NEAR SHANGHAI.

CLASH WITH POLICE.

Shanghai, Jan. 24. Chinese newspapers state that a well-organised band of Communists, numbering at least 200, bearing "axe and scythe" banners and armed with rifles and automatics, attacked Chwang Ying, thirty-five miles south of Shanghai, near Hangchow Bay on Monday evening.

They singled out the police stations, after which they plundered and set fire to the town.

Thirty of the inhabitants were killed and 70 wounded, while an octogenarian woman was burned to death.

Subsequently, the band clashed with Chinese volunteers and police from neighbouring towns and a fight lasting about fifty minutes took place, machine-guns and bombs being employed.

Twenty Communists were killed before they fled.—Reuter.

THE ROYAL ARROW TRAGEDY.

TRIAL OF EUROPEAN CONTINUED.

IMPORTANT EVIDENCE BY MEDICAL MEN.

DEAD MAN'S INJURIES.

The case at the Kowloon Magistrate in which a seaman of the s.s. Royal Arrow, named L. Pedersen, is charged with the murder of John Zetterberg, of the same ship, was continued this morning.

The first witness called by the prosecution was Dr. B. C. Wong who stated that he lived at Homuntin. On January 18, he was at home at about 10.30 p.m. when he received a message, as a result of which he went to Lanchow to the Standard Oil Installation and later on board the s.s. Royal Arrow. He arrived on the ship at 10.45 p.m.

Under cross-examination by Mr. O. E. C. Marton for the defence, witness said there were no cuts or bruises on the deceased externally.

Speech Indistinct.

Dr. I. Newton, of the Kowloon Hospital, was next called. He stated that at 2.30 a.m. on January 19, he examined Pedersen, whom he now identified in the dock. Pedersen was brought to him for examination as to whether he was drunk or not.

Witness found that the defendant's speech was rather indistinct and that he had a rapid pulse of 123, whilst his breath smelt strongly of alcohol. Otherwise, said the witness, Pedersen appeared to be normal. The defendant was able to perform ordinary simple tests, for what they were worth.

Under cross-examination by Mr. Marton, witness said that prisoner might have been drunk about five hours before, and added that, in fact, that was very probable.

Answering further questions, witness said he was asked to examine Pedersen to see if he were under the influence of liquor. He had noticed that the defendant had a bad eye and he remembered asking him how he had got it.

Mr. Marton:—What did he say? Witness:—As far as I remember, I think he said he got it two days before, or got it in a fight.

Not Admissible.

The Magistrate, Mr. E. W. Hamilton, pointed out that he could not take that as evidence, as witness could not remember distinctly.

Witness, answering further questions, said he did not notice that there was a bruise on the defendant's forehead. All he remembered was that the defendant had a swollen eye.

Dr. J. E. Dovey, medical officer in charge of the Kowloon Mortuary, was next called.

Witness said that on January 19, at 12.45 p.m. he examined the body of a man which was identified as that of John Zetterberg.

The Injuries.

On examination of the body it was found to be fresh and in a condition of *rigor mortis* throughout. There were no external cuts of any blood clots in the nose and mouth. On examining the scalp, witness noticed there were several raised or soft areas. On cutting down on these areas they were found to be bruises. There were five bruises in all. The first was a small bruise just above the right eye, the second another bruise about an inch above the first, the third, a bruise three and a half inches above the top of the left ear, the fourth, a similar bruise above the right ear and the fifth an extensive bruise at the back of the head. The last bruise passed right down to the bone and was about 2½ inches in diameter.

There appeared to be no fracture of the skull, but on removal of the skull cap bone and on removal of the brain, there was found to be a small fissure on the floor of the skull. The whole brain was very congested.

The hearing is proceeding.

R.A.F. PLANE BOMBS HORSEMEN.

MISREAD SIGNAL LEADS TO TERRIBLE TRAGEDY.

ARMY MANOEUVRES.

Peshawar, Jan. 23. Military manoeuvres in which R.A.F. machines were participating were marred to-day by a terrible accident, due to the misreading of a signal.

A bombing machine was flying over head with instructions to bomb a certain area. A number of horsemen were in the area by error, and a signal "Don't bomb" was given.

This was misread as "All clear" and the machine dropped a bomb which fell in the midst of a squadron of Poona Horse, of which fourteen members were killed and fifteen wounded.—Reuter.

Later. The victims of the tragedy are 2 Indian officers killed and one wounded, and 12 other ranks killed and wounded. It is feared that the wounded officer and one of the seppies will succumb.

The R.A.F. had received permission to use a large area, which had been set aside for bombing practice and field firing.

In the meantime, arrangements had also been made for combined training by cavalry and tanks. An infantry officer, commanding the Poona Horse, on arrival, asked for a cessation of the bombing. Accordingly, a ground officer of the R.A.F. signalled to the machine in the air, but the bombing plane came over at a height of 4,000 feet and owing to bad visibility and straggly clouds, the pilot misinterpreted the message and released the bomb which fell two hundred yards wide of the target, and dropped into the middle of the squadron.—Reuter.

CANTON-KOWLOON RAILWAY.

NANKING TO TAKE OVER ADMINISTRATION.

IMPORTANT DECISION.

Nanking, Jan. 24. The Central Political Council have instructed the Canton Branch Political Council to hand over the administration of the Canton-Kowloon Railway, the Canton-Hankow Railway, and the Canton-Samsui Railway to the Ministry of Railways, of which Mr. Sun Fo is the head.—Reuter.

Well-informed circles regard the decision as one of some considerable importance. It is thought likely that the administration of the Chinese Section of the Kowloon-Canton Railway will be taken over by officials sent from Nanking in the near future.

It cannot at this stage, of course, be certain whether or not, a new administration would affect the present arrangements between the Chinese and British Sections, by which British locomotives have been permitted to run over the Chinese lines. The opinion, however, is expressed that this arrangement will be gladly confirmed.

TRAIN BURIED IN SNOWDRIFT.

FEARED LOSS OF FORTY LIVES.

Budapest, Jan. 23. A message from Bukharest says it is feared that forty people have died from cold and starvation on a passenger train lying buried in a snowdrift in Rumania since Monday.

Snow is reported to be twelve feet above the carriages. Four relief engines have also been snowed up, and troops are now assisting in the relief work.—Reuter.

Chinese Officer's Tour.

Later, Sir Austen mentioned the arrival in London of Commander Yu Tiao-bar after visits to Germany and Belgium.

The Chinese officer intends to visit Portsmouth, Greenwich, and the principal air bases, and the air authorities in England were assisting him in every possible manner. Commander Yu Tiao-bar was returning to China in March.—Reuter and British Wireless.

SHAFORCE STILL CRITICISED.

COMMONS DISCUSS CHINA AGAIN.

MINISTER TO HAVE OFFICIAL IN SHANGHAI.

GERMAN MILITARISTS.

London, Jan. 23.

The need for the continued presence in Shanghai of British troops was again questioned by members of the Labour Party in the House of Commons to-day, in spite of Sir Laming Worthington-Evans' statement yesterday that while the local situation had so much improved as to allow the withdrawal of many units, the Shanghai Volunteer Corps was not sufficiently strong to render the presence of British troops not longer necessary.

The question of British representation in Nanking was also discussed.

The Labour criticism of the War Office attitude came mainly from Mr. Thurtle, who urged the withdrawal of the remainder of the Shanghai Defence Force, arguing that the situation was settled.

Not Fully Satisfied.

Sir Austen Chamberlain, the Foreign Secretary, referred the question to the War Minister's statement, and emphasised that the British Government did not desire to keep these forces in Shanghai a day longer than was necessary.

At the same time they did not feel that the situation at present was such as to justify total withdrawal, though it had been clearly shown that their numbers were steadily lessening.

Outstanding Issues.

Commander Kenworthy (Lab.) questioned the Foreign Secretary regarding the recent conversations at Nanking between Sir Miles Lampson and Dr. C. T. Wang, and other members of the National Government, particularly as regards consultations on other outstanding issues between the two Governments. Might they take it, he asked, that agreements had now been reached on all points.

Sir Austen Chamberlain replied that Sir Miles Lampson had returned to the North to Peking, but there were many matters still to be settled between the two Governments.

Replying to a further question, relating to the removal of the Legation, Sir Austen said that Nanking was the official capital of the Nationalist Government, but the transfer of the administration to the new seat of government was not complete, and practical difficulties in regard to accommodation made it impossible for the British Minister to reside there.

Legation Member For Shanghai.

Arrangements, however, were being made for a member of the British Legation staff to reside at Shanghai as the Minister's personal representative, and to visit Nanking as and when required to keep in touch with the National Government.

In reply to Mr. Rennie Smith (Lab.) Sir Austen said that he had received various reports of the arrival of German military instructors in various parts of China, but he was not in a position to say precisely in what capacity they were to be employed by the National Government.

Mr. Rennie Smith asked if the presence of German military experts in China had been discussed at the recent meeting of the League of Nations, and the Foreign Secretary replied in the negative.

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OLD BOYS' DINNER.

The early history of St. Joseph's College was recalled by the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga when presiding at the annual dinner of the Old Boys' Association in the Great Hall of the College last evening. Mr. Braga also referred to the leasing from the Government of the site at Prince Edward Road, remarking that by obtaining the land the Christian Brothers had come into possession of one of the finest sites in Kowloon.

The Hon. Mr. Braga, who is the President of the Association, was supported by the following Committee members—Messrs. J. M. Graca Ozorio, Andrew Tse Yan, Robert Choa, Frank Barnes, Francisco L. Marques and C. Dragon (Hon. Secretary).

Others present included the following—Rev. Bro. Aimar (Vice-President), Mr. E. Ralphs (Inspector of English Schools), Mr. G. P. de Martin (Assistant Inspector), Rev. Father G. Byrne, S.J., F. Blotteau, G. Spada, F.R. Rossi, L. Banchio, W. J. Borer, A.F.M., Paroselli, and the Chaplain of the French cruiser Jules Michelet, Dr. F. M. Graca Ozorio, Dr. R. A. C. Baste, Dr. C. F. da Rosa, Messrs. Henry Dixon, I.S.O. (Past President), W. G. Fitz-Gibbon, J. M. da Rocha, J. P. Xavier, C. H. Baste, A. H. Baste, M. P. Baptista, F. J. Tavares, Noel Braga, Hugh Braga, Simon Tse Yan, M. A. Figueiredo, Leo d'Almada, Jr., L. E. Guterres, Lim Hoy-lan, J. V. Chantong, C. A. R. da Rosa, J. Noronha, E. A. Noronha, L. Y. Choi, G. Aquino, J. Baptista, A. F. Osmund, P. Julian, S. A. Mareal, F. Rodrigues, Aubrey Edgar, Sidney Edgar, C. A. V. Ribeiro, J. G. Remedios, and A. V. Gossano. There were about 200 present in all.

It was announced that a letter had been received from Bishop Vitoria, in which he expressed regret at being unable to be present owing to indisposition.

Chairman's Toast.

Following the observance of the Loyal Toast, the Chairman proposed the toast of "Alma Mater, St. Joseph's College." He said it was nearly 15 years ago that the Old Boys' Association was formed. With the return of Brother Marcan and his infective enthusiasm the association had been revived after a period of suspended animation. The speaker expressed the hope that the large gathering that night might be accepted as visible evidence of the vitality of the Old Boys' Association, the members of which had gathered to do honour to the College and to its staff of teachers. Mr. Braga then spoke in a reminiscent vein. He recalled that soon after the college was established, over fifty years ago, he was one of its first pupils and he felt that he did not stand in a position of splendid isolation among the scholars of the first generation, for there were still among them such veterans as his old friends, Mr. Henry Dixon, I.S.O., and Mr. L. E. Ozorio. In a corner at the junction of Caine Road and Aberdeen Street stood his old college building, but somewhat altered in its external appearance. After the college vacated that building it was occupied by the late Sir Hormusjee Mody, Kt., who defrayed the cost of the Hongkong University building.

The First Director.

Bro. Hidulpe was the first Director of the college, which opened its doors on the 16th November, 1875. Then, as now, the Christian Brothers were spoken of as "admirable teachers." The staff was composed of three Brothers and 70 pupils; to-day there are 14 Brothers, 15 lay teachers, 2 teachers for Chinese

and 1 for the Portuguese language, and nearly a thousand pupils, if the branch school at Kowloon was included. On the 3rd November, 1881, the Governor, Sir John Pope Hennessy, laid the foundation stone of St. Joseph's College building at Robinson Road. It was completed and opened by Mr. Wm. Marsh, the Officer Administering the Government in 1883. At that time there were eight Brothers on the staff and the scholars numbered about 300. In 1879, the Government of Hongkong took the college under its benevolent patronage and it was admitted to the benefits of the Grant-in-Aid Scheme. Impelled, as it were, by a dynamic force, the college prospered since then as it never did before.

The acquisition of the present college site and the erection of the fine additional buildings and the magnificent hall were matters of comparatively recent history, and Mr. Braga said he did not wish to detain the assembly with their recital.

The Kowloon College.

He congratulated Bro. Aimar and his advisers on the recent leasing from Government of the 10-acre site on Prince Edward Road in Kowloon. From the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C., M.G.) they might not expect in vain to receive every sympathy and practical support in the advancement of education in Hongkong. By the purchase of the land the Christian Brothers had come into possession of one of the finest sites in Kowloon. He had had the privilege of being shown the plans (which were still the subject of consideration) by Bro. Aimar, and he (Mr. Braga) thought when the buildings were completed the architectural amenities of Kowloon would be very greatly improved and Kowloon would have an edifice that it could well be proud of.

This enterprise redounded to the credit of Bro. Aimar and his staff. It was not the product of a faint heart. It required breadth of vision and a confidence in Greater Hongkong, as Kowloon would no doubt in time, come to be called. Brother Aimar and the members of his Community were an asset to Hongkong. It was men of their type who were wanted for the greater development of the Colony.

The speech was received with loud applause and the toast was enthusiastically honoured.

Bro. Aimar's Reply.

Replying to the Rev. Bro. Aimar said that ever since the re-organization of the College on the present site he had been looking for ways and means of reviving the Old Boys' Association. An attempt to renew its vigour was made in 1926, in connexion with the celebration of the Golden Jubilee of the college. The response was satisfactory, but could not be followed up, owing chiefly to the disaster that overtook the college in July of that year. It took nearly two years to clear the debris and make good the damage done by the storm.

For the efficient working and development of an Old Boys' Association, one of the members of the staff had necessarily to devote a great deal of his time to it. In January last year, Brother Joseph came from Manila and Brothers Marcan and Claude from the Straits. Their arrival had been altogether for the welfare and success of the college; and Brother Marcan, while helping in the higher classes and general supervision, found time to attend to the Old Boys' Association, with the results that they now saw.

The association was in full activity again and, it filled him with joy to see so many former pupils and friends. This reunion comprised members of every profession. Lawyers and doctors, engineers and architects, accountants and teachers, heads of prosperous schools and of mercantile firms were present in the hall, which he wanted them to consider as their own and the home of their association.

Referring to Mr. Braga he said that 45 years ago, he was a pupil in Class 2 of Saint Joseph's College, and it is recorded in 1884,

that he was awarded prizes for English and Declamation. "He has since then, added many achievements to his credit and it is most agreeable to me to be afforded this public opportunity of extending to a distinguished and ever loyal old boy, on behalf of the staff of his old college, our hearty congratulations and best wishes for a long and brilliant period of service as a member of the Legislative Council of the Colony. We know that as in the past, we can rely on Mr. Braga in furthering the interests of his old college and of the St. Joseph's Old Boys' Association." (Applause).

A Good Choice.

In supporting the toast, Bro. Marcan said he was particularly pleased to have the opportunity of congratulating the Hon. Mr. Braga on the choice made of him by the representatives of his Majesty the King for membership of the local Legislative Assembly. It was an honour to the college and to the association, as well as to himself personally.

"The Hon. Mr. Braga is fitted for the trust reposed in him because of the personal initiative which he continued to develop after his college course. The fostering of such personal initiative is one of the chief aims of our association. We wish to make each member realise that he has a part to play in the social and civic life of the Colony. The education given him in the college, aims at fitting him for that part, but owing to circumstances it is, in most cases, terminated too soon. Post-graduate or post-collegiate work is necessary if our young men are to be led to realise the noble duties that true citizenship imposes upon them."

The intercourse which the association seeks to foster would furnish the opportunity for those especially qualified in any particular profession or hobby to stimulate the mental activity of the younger members by occasional lectures. Such lectures, supplemented by courses of reading, would greatly aid in bringing to maturity the ideals which it had been the chief concern of the college to implant.

It was very important at the present time that all forces for good should unite and show a common front to those that are misdirected or positively evil. However, this was a matter that could be more fully treated at their general meeting, to be held shortly.

The speaker drew attention to the difficulty of getting in touch with all the old boys. He suggested that those who were members would do a service to the association by asking others to register their names and addresses at the college, so that they may receive circulars or notices that are issued.

It was a pleasing duty on this occasion to pay a tribute to Mr. Dixon, a well-merited tribute, for his devotedness to the interests of the association, and to thank him for the noble example of charity which he had given to the young men. In the name of the association, Bro. Marcan thanked Mr. Joseph Chantong for his generous donation.

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TESTIFIES ABOUT THE GREAT BENEFITS OF POO ON UNDER OATH ON THE WITNESS STAND.

Modesto Woman Tells About The Help She Got From Poo On Chinese Herbs In The Justice's Court Of Modesto, Calif., U.S.A.

Mrs. H. L. Perry, residing at 1025, Washington Street, on the witness stand in the Justice's Court Modesto, California, testified some time ago to the great benefits of the Poo On Chinese Herbs. Sworn under oath to tell the "truth and nothing but the truth" Mrs. Perry stated that she had been suffering from nervous indigestion for several years and had been to many doctors, but none were able to help her. Through a lady friend she heard of Poo On Chinese Herbs and decided to consult the Herbalist.

MRS. PERRY SAYS:
"The benefits and help that the Poo On Chinese Herbs have brought into my family are more than I can ever repay. The health and happiness that these herbs have brought into my home is more than I can express in words."

For years I suffered with nervous indigestion. Every time I would eat my stomach would fill with gas and I would be in a distressed condition for several hours. I had headaches and was drowsy. At times I was unable to do my work and had to go to bed. I doctored with many physicians for years, but none was able to do me any good, and as time went on I became worse and more discouraged. My husband has spent several hundreds of dollars for doctors and medicines and all failed to bring me any relief.

"Through a friend I heard of the Poo On Chinese Herbs. I was doubtful but hearing of the many cures that these herbs had brought about I decided to try. The results of the Poo On Chinese Herbs astonished me. After a few doses I began to notice a vast difference in the condition of my stomach and my general health. I continued to take the herbs and in a short time I was completely cured. Since that time I have gained steadily in weight and can now eat anything and all that I want without the least distress. I can truthfully say that I feel better now than I have in years, and I accord it all to the Poo On Chinese Herbs."

CHILD SNATCHED FROM DEATH BY POO ON CHINESE HERBS.

"Probably the greatest help that the Poo On Chinese Herbs brought about in my home was in the case of my baby boy Robert when he was a year and a half old."

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on Face, Arms and Legs
Healed
By Cleansing the Blood with
Clarke's Blood Mixture

Our portrait of Miss Florence Digby, of 67, Scholars Road, Ballam, London, England, whose mother writes: "When eleven years old my daughter Florence had Eczema (Severe Eczema) on her face, arms and legs. The doctor gave her medicine and I bathed the sore places with a solution of Sulphur. I used all kinds of soap but with no good results. Afterward she attended Hospital for three years and had the same treatment for six months, but still she did not seem to get any better. Then I was recommended Clarke's Blood Mixture, and after having four bottles I could see it was doing her good, so I continued with it, and she is now quite cured and her skin is perfectly clear of the sore places."

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builds the body,
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aids digestion and
leads to increased
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SALESMAN SAM **It Does Look Short** **By Small**

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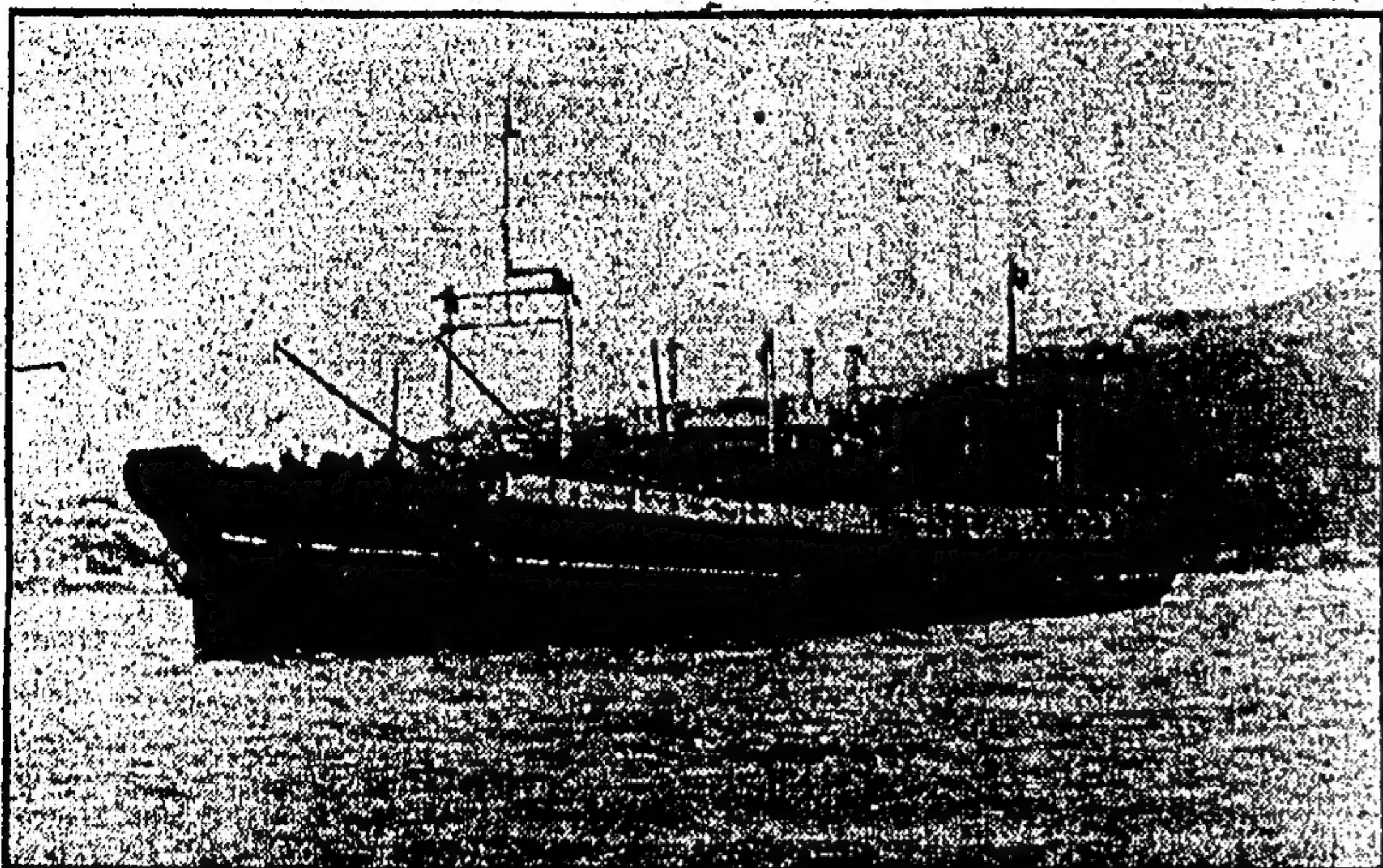
OFFICER GRIGAN—WHAT IS THE SIGHT OF YOUR GUN FOR?

TA LOOK OVER WHEN I AM, CHIEF!

AN' NOW, OFFICER HOWDY—TELL US WHERE THE BALANCE OF YOUR GUN IS—

HOW SHOULD I KNOW?

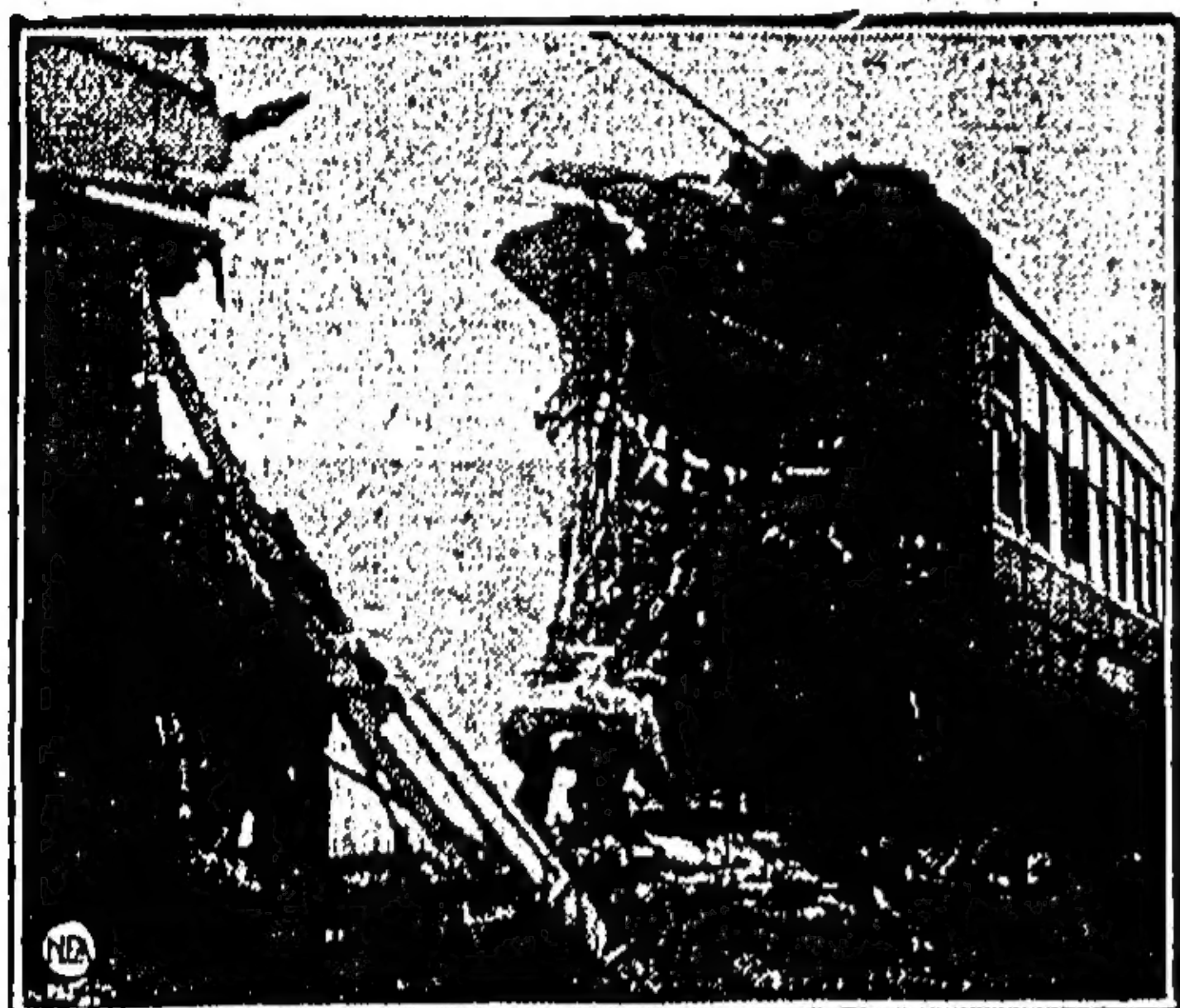
THIS IS ALL YA ISSUED TO ME!



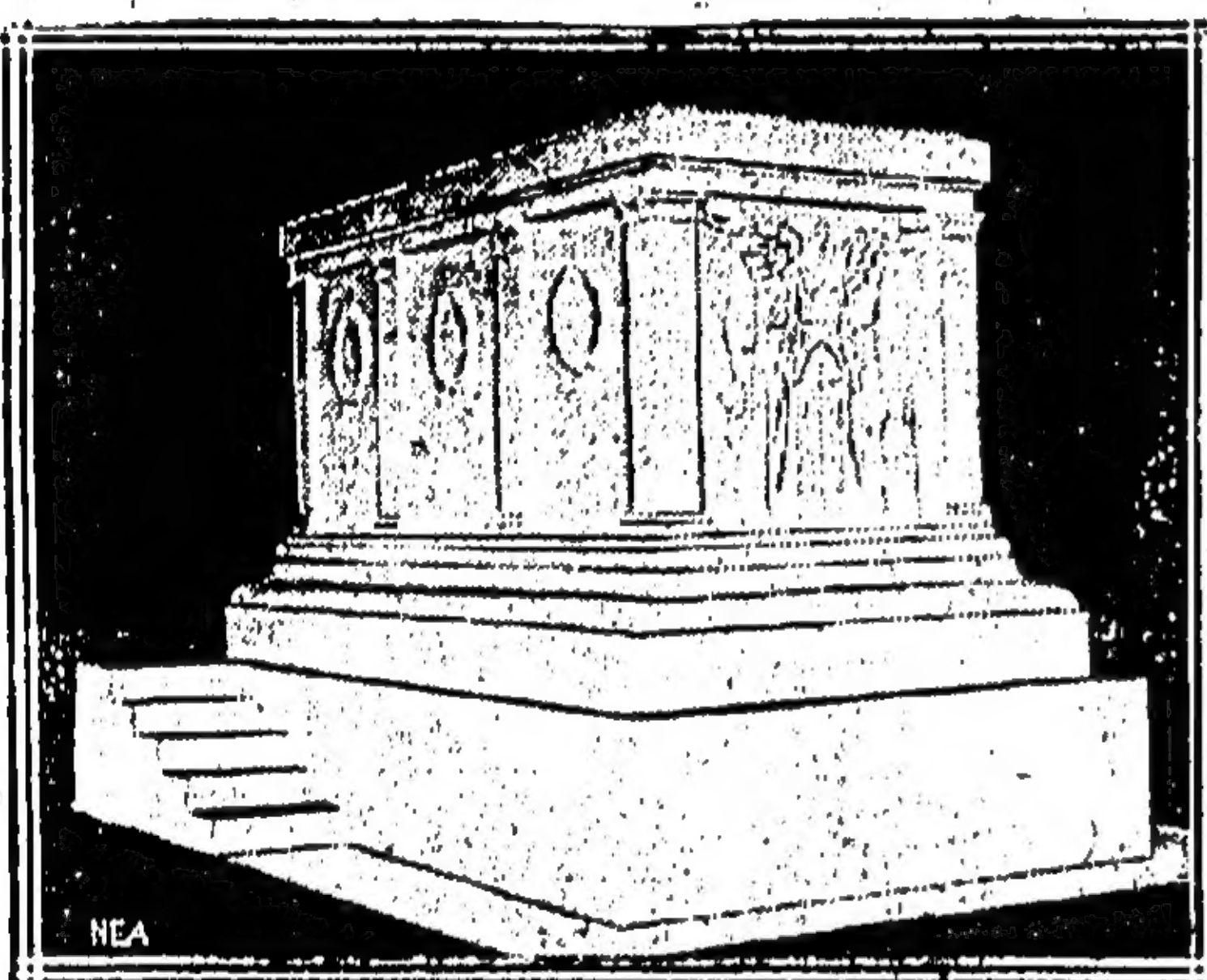
The whaler "C. A. Larsen" arriving at Wellington, New Zealand with Commander Byrd and members of his Antarctic Expedition on board. New Zealand was the last outpost of civilisation touched at before the expedition set off for the long voyage through the ice.



Two fliers who are accompanying Byrd on his Antarctic Expedition. With the famous flier-explorer, they will venture over the great ice wastes of the South. At the left is Bernt Balchen, the chief pilot, and at the right, Ralph Shropshire, U. S. Army pilot.



An extraordinary picture showing the effect of the collision of two trams. Three persons were killed.



The tomb approved for the body of America's Unknown Warrior. For seven years, shrouded in pathetic mystery, the body has been under a plain granite slab.



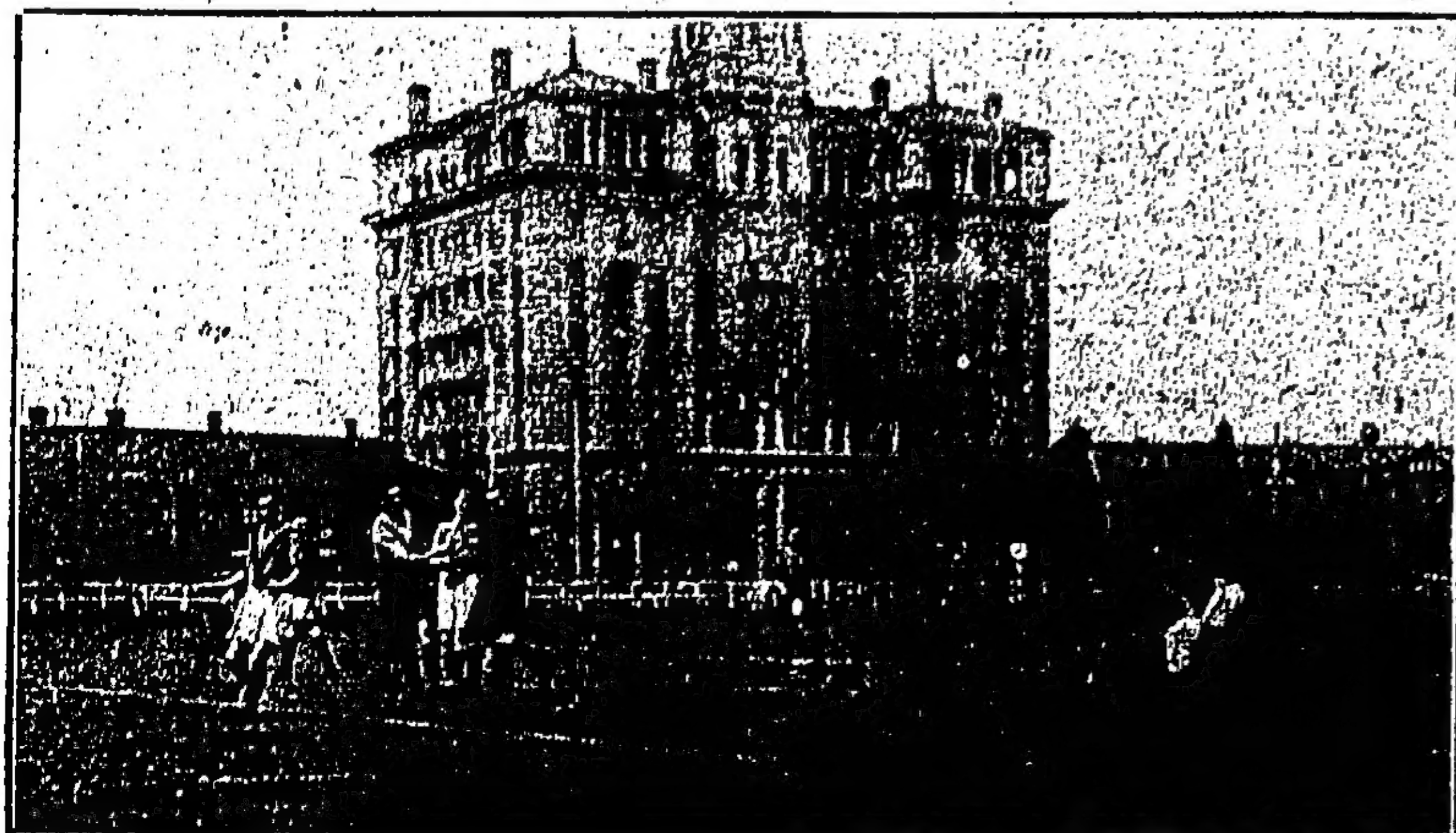
Commander Richard Byrd and his colleagues taken in Wellington, New Zealand, just prior to embarking for the Bay of Whales, in the Antarctic. New Zealand was the expedition's last touch at civilisation.



The soccer team of the Shanghai Recreation Club which is doing well in the Northern port.



Prominent Shanghai paper-hunters. The centre figure is Mr. N. L. Sparks, the master of the S. P. H. Club. At different times lately all three have won hunts.

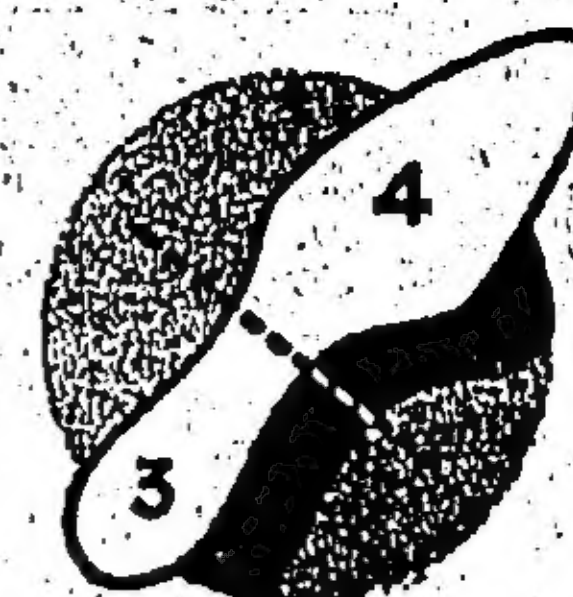


Snap of a match in progress in Shanghai in the Tze-Ling Cup Competition. The S. F. C. won comfortably against the Police. Photo shows the Club bustling through to score an early goal.



Taken during an international match in Shanghai, Scotland v. Germany. The German back is seen robbing a Scot of the ball.

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The local supply has published the following notice:—

Reduction in Price of Current.

As from January 1st, 1929, the price of current supplied for the following services will be reduced to 5 cents per unit:—

1. Three phase and single phase motors exceeding 1/4 H.P. (single phase lift motors and motor generators excepted).
2. Three phase lift motors.
3. Domestic heating and power when supplied through the Company's standard connecting plugs (particulars of which may be obtained at the Head Office.)

For full particulars of the cost of Cooking and Heating electrically, with approved connecting plugs:—

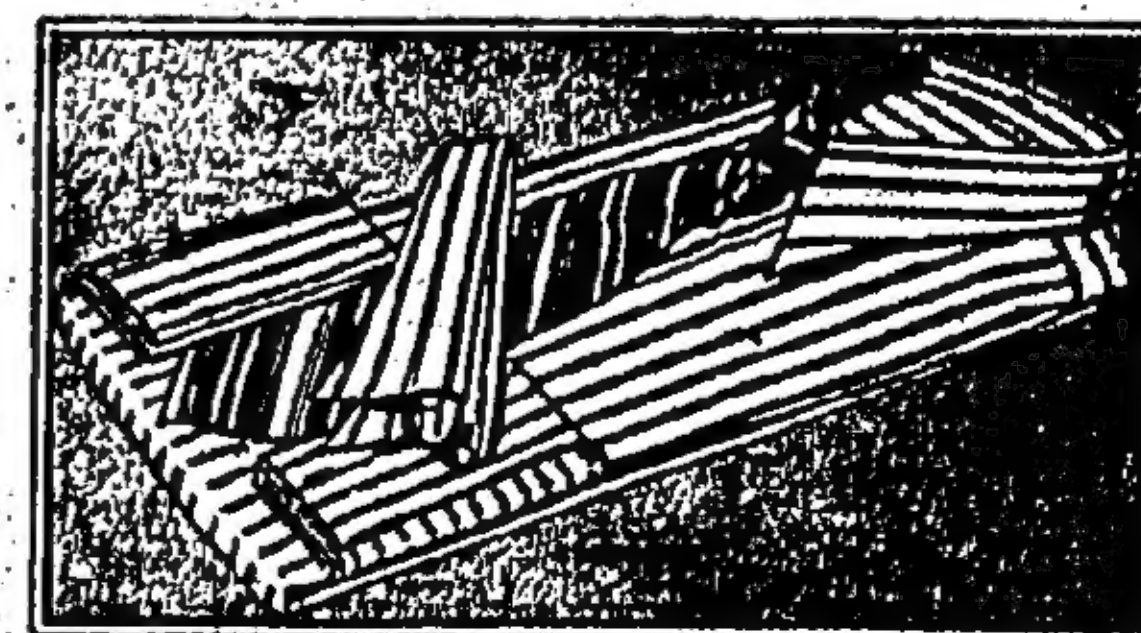
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WANTED.—Young lady as shop assistant, European preferred. One who is willing to learn a trade and is not afraid of hard work. Small salary to commence. Write Box No. 471, care of "Hongkong Telegraph."

FOR SALE.

CLOSING SALE.—On 31st of January MADAME PIERETTE, A.P.C. Building, 2nd floor, Fashionable hats, \$3.00 each. Evening and afternoon gowns, \$25.00 each. Winter coats from \$45.00. Vests dresses with hem-stitchings at \$12.00 each. These prices are 30 per cent. below cost.

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BUICK.—Five-seater tourer, Majestic body, owner driven since new, splendid condition, has done only moderate mileage. Tyres new. Available middle or end February. Rev. G. E. S. Updell, care of "Hongkong Telegraph."

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New Advertisements

NOTICE.

CYMEITHAS DEWI SANT, (HONGKONG.) (St. David's Society, Hongkong.)

The Annual General Meeting of the Society will be held in the Sanitary Board Room, P. & O. Building, on Wednesday, the 30th January, 1929, at 5.30 p.m.

G. S. HUGH-JONES, Hon. Secretary.

THE BANK OF EAST ASIA, LIMITED.

Notice is hereby given that the TENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at Chinese Merchants' Club, 6th floor, China Building, Queen's Road Central, at 3 p.m. Saturday, the 16th February, 1929, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1928.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Saturday, 9th February to Saturday, 16th February, 1929, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

KAN TONG PO,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 24th January, 1929.

THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary Meeting of the Shareholders of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will be held on Saturday, the 2nd day of February, 1929, at 12 o'clock noon at the City Hall Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, passing the following resolution, viz:—

That the Directors of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation be and they are hereby requested and authorised by and on behalf of the shareholders of the Corporation to take all such steps as may be necessary for the introduction of an Ordinance into the Legislative Council of the Colony of Hongkong and for the enactment of the same by the Governor of Hongkong with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, in the terms of a print which, for the purposes of identification, has been signed by the Chief Manager of the Corporation, in substitution for the existing Ordinance (except as in such print is mentioned) and Deed of Settlement of the Corporation.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a further extraordinary meeting of the shareholders of the Corporation will be held on Saturday, the 23rd day of February, 1929, at 12.45 in the afternoon at the same place for the purpose of receiving a report of the above mentioned meeting and of considering, and if thought fit, confirming the above resolution in accordance with Article 96 of the Corporation's Deed of Settlement.

Dated this 1st day of January, 1929.

By Order of the Directors,

A. C. HYNES,

Chief Manager.

Note:—A copy of the proposed New Ordinance can be seen during the usual banking hours (Sundays, Public and Bank Holidays excepted) in Hongkong at the Head Office of the Corporation or at the offices of Messrs. Jolson, Stokes & Master, Prince Building, Solicitors to the Corporation, and in Shanghai at the Office of the Corporation, from the date hereof until the date of the above mentioned extraordinary meeting.

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TENDERS INVITED FOR WATERWORKS PLANT.

For the improvement of the water system of Canton, the Canton Municipality hereby requests tenders to submit their quotations for the following proposed plants, machinery, pumps, etc.

1. One rapid precipitation plant with a capacity of 10 million gallons of water per 24 hrs.

2. One rapid filtering plant with a capacity of 10 million gallons of water per 24 hrs. Item 1 and 2 may be combined in one unit.

3. Two centrifugal pumps, 40 feet pressure head, capacity of 5 million gallons per 24 hrs. each. Belt-driven by two water gas internal combustion engines, or crude oil engines.

4. One direct acting pump, 300 feet pressure head, capacity of 10 million gallons per 24 hrs. Direct connection to triple expansion steam engine.

5. One water tube boiler, steam pressure 150 lbs. gauge, with mechanical stoke, chain grate, able to furnish 18,000 lbs. of steam per hr. Price to include economizer, feed water pump, feed water heater, super heater super heating steam 100 F. and other fittings that go along with boiler.

6. One 36" cast iron or steel main pipe, flange joint, tested pressure 600 ft. head. Price per running foot should include packing material, bolts and nuts.

7. One 24" cast iron or steel main pipe, socket joint, tested pressure 600 ft. head. Price per running foot should include packing material.

8. Prices of each 36" and 24" gate valves. Tested pressure 600 ft. head.

9. Two 36" venturi Meters with self recording apparatus. (Manufacturer's name should be given.)

Note: Tenders are requested to submit full particulars and descriptions of all goods they offer. Quotations of machineries, plants, etc. should be accompanied with detail drawings. All Prices Should Be Quoted Net, and should be sent in on or before February 20, 1929.

DR. WU PAK-LIANG,

Commissioner,

Canton Municipal Water Works,

Kew Sheung Kai, Canton.

HONGKONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

The Annual General Meeting of the above Society will be held on Friday, 1st February, in St. John's Cathedral Hall, at 5.30 p.m.

Mr. R. Sutherland, O.B.E. in the Chair.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL RACE MEETING 1929.

Owners are reminded that entries for the Annual Race Meeting must be in the hands of the Secretary on or before Saturday, 26th January, 1929, at 3 p.m.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

UNION WATERBOAT COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Twenty Fourth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Company, Limited, on Thursday the 31st January, 1929, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1928.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 23rd January to 31st January 1929, both dates inclusive.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

on FRIDAY, the 25th January, 1929, commencing at 10.30 a.m. at their Sales Room, Duddell Street.

1 Case Cottons.
1 Case Grey Shirtings.
1 Case Felt Hats.
1 Case Gabardine.
1 Bale Blankets.
4 Cases Artificial Silk Fancy.
1 Case Fancy Prints.
10 Cases Fire Crackers.
220 Boxes Hosiery Needles and

A Quantity of Miscellaneous Goods.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.

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The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

on THURSDAY, the 31st January, 1929, commencing at 11 a.m. at No. 5B, Armand Buildings, Kimberley Road, Kowloon.

A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture.

(Particulars from Catalogue.)

On View from Wednesday, the 30th January, 1929.

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LOCAL EXAMINATIONS

MAY, 1929.

The last day of entry for forthcoming Examinations in

THEORY and PRACTICAL

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Local Secretary:—Wm. Anderson, care of Anderson Music Co., Ltd., from whom the current regulations may be obtained.

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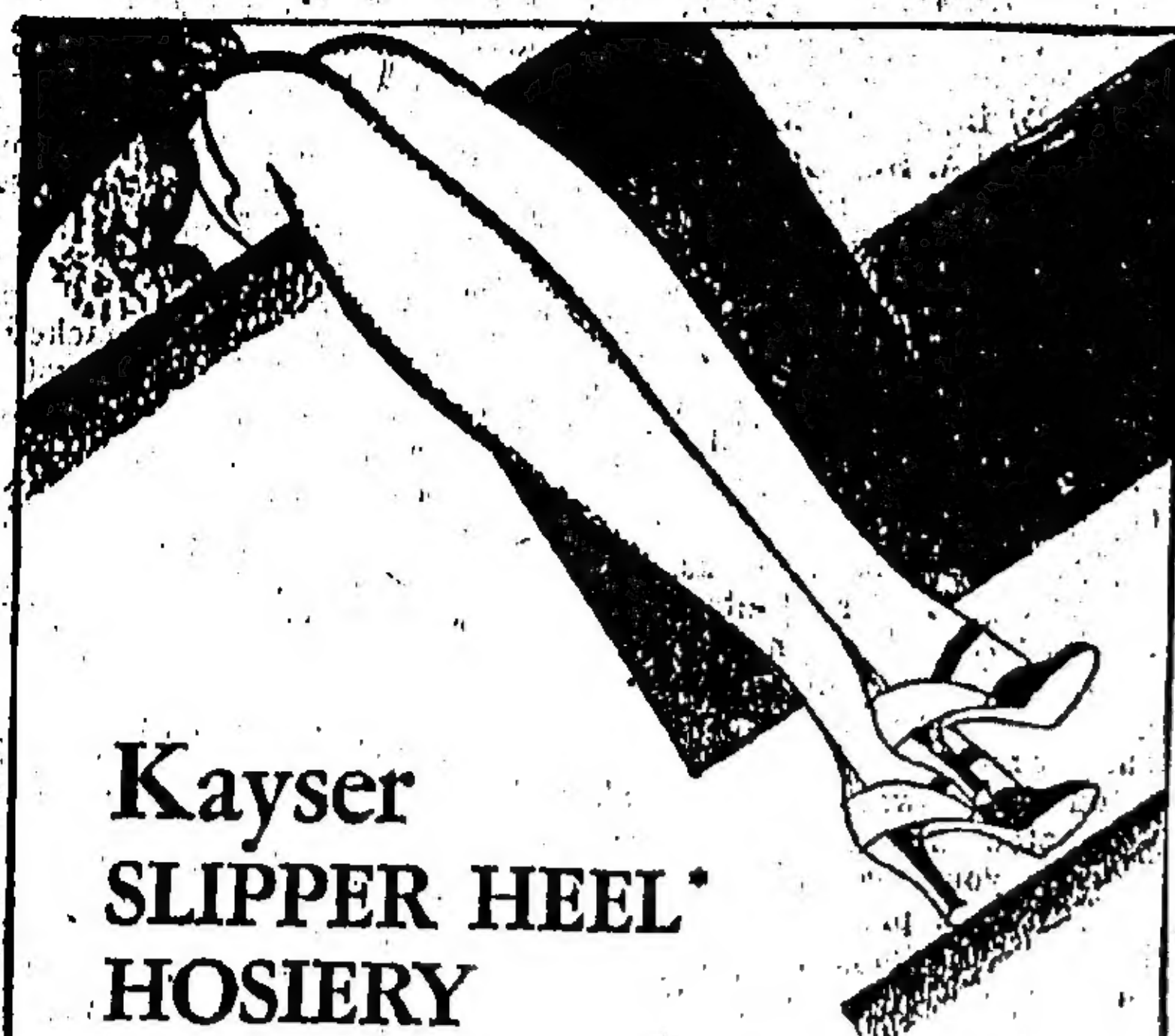
7, Queen's Road.

G. R.

Particulars and Conditions of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 28th day of January, 1929, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of Crown Land at Mong Kok Taul, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

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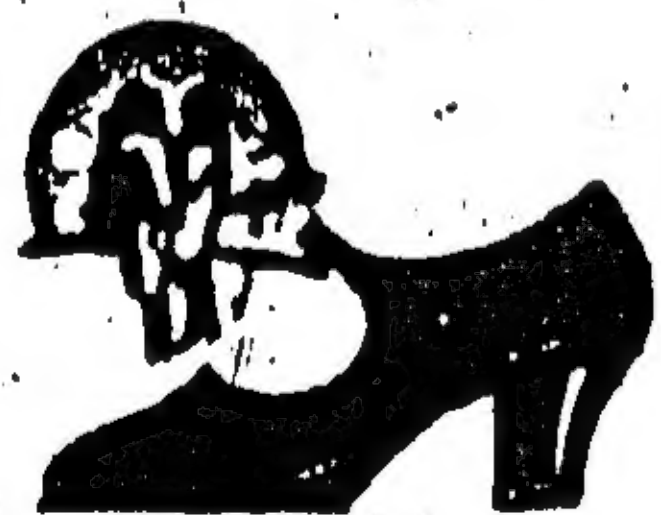
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WOMAN'S WORLD FOR OUR LADY READERS.

Your Face.

DON'T "REDUCE" IT.

Many women now undergoing treatments for slimming are finding that their faces are not so amenable to reduction as their figures. A skin specialist in South Molton-street is now giving a separate course of treatments for faces in conjunction with the reducing treatments in order to counteract the injurious effects that too much slimming has upon the facial tissue.

"I advise women with round, full faces not to attempt to reduce them," she stated, "because directly the flesh on the face is reduced it becomes soft and flabby, droops, forms hollows and a sagging chin."

"Whereas the flesh on the body becomes hard and muscular when a woman reduces superfluous fat, the face flesh seems to lose its muscular activity. My clients come to me beautifully slim, but with wan faces, double chins and hollows under their eyes."

The treatment consists not in slapping, which according to this specialist does more harm than good to the face by breaking down the fine tissues under the skin, but in delicate massage with cream to stiffen the face flesh. In order to counteract the loss of fat and essential oils that a woman who is on a reducing diet must suffer, fatty creams are rubbed well in. A chin strap must be worn at night where the chin has drooped badly.



An ensemble for morning wear, extremely smart yet serviceable, consists in a skirt of cigar-brown and beige tweed, made with a deep, shaped yoke bound with brown braid, and a plain tailored shirt blouse of beige silk rep with cigar-brown satin tie.

Fashion Notes.

SOME NEW COLOURS.

At last, the new-born shade of blue, the season's favourite colour-child, has been christened by its fond parent, an artistic manufacturer of dress materials, and the name which he has bestowed upon it is "bleu violine."

This does express the new colour a bit better than "bleu lavande," which is the name under which it has been known since it was first brought into the limelight.

There is also another lovely shade of green which is likely to be very popular this season. It isn't Chartreuse, or almond, but a blend which one suspects will be more difficult to name than the bleu-violine. This colour has not, as yet, been christened.

These two new colours are both given conspicuous places in the gowns this season.

Dressing in black is one of the things that seem never to go out of fashion. Other colours come and go, but after each new colour-wave, fashionable women always seem to return once again to black. Just now, dark brown is the only colour permitted to walk with black in the street; the best coats are always either of one or the other.

A wonderful, very mat black is being employed for both afternoon and evening gowns, striking effects being got by having these models entirely unrelieved except for an ornament or buckle of sparkling stones. Black lace is also charmingly employed for dinner gowns.

Beauty for the Nails.

[By Lady Neish.]

A woman asked me the other day if I really thought varnished or polished nails looked best. I like the varnished nails for evening and for parties. For everyday use I think a good polish is enough.

A friend has sent me a mother-of-pearl varnish. It looks rather lovely, but I quickly took it off again because somehow it looked all wrong.

If you cannot get that deep pink varnish, and you want to deepen the one you have, let it dry, then give it another coat. When absolutely dry put on a little polishing powder and give the final polish on the palm of your hand. A small hint this, but efficacious—far better, I think, than any other polishing pad.

Good News.

At the present time, when one's best silk stockings spring a ladder whilst one is on the way to an important appointment, there is only one thing to be done that is to buy another pair and change at the shop. Soon, however, that will no longer be necessary. Throughout the United States there is being set up a chain of stocking mending shops, whose slogan is "Stockings mended while you wait." As soon as they have smoothed out this difficulty in the life of Miss America they are coming to England to do likewise. To have a ladder cheaply and invisibly mended the moment it is discovered is not only a convenience, but an economy, lengthening the life of stockings and reducing hosiery bills.

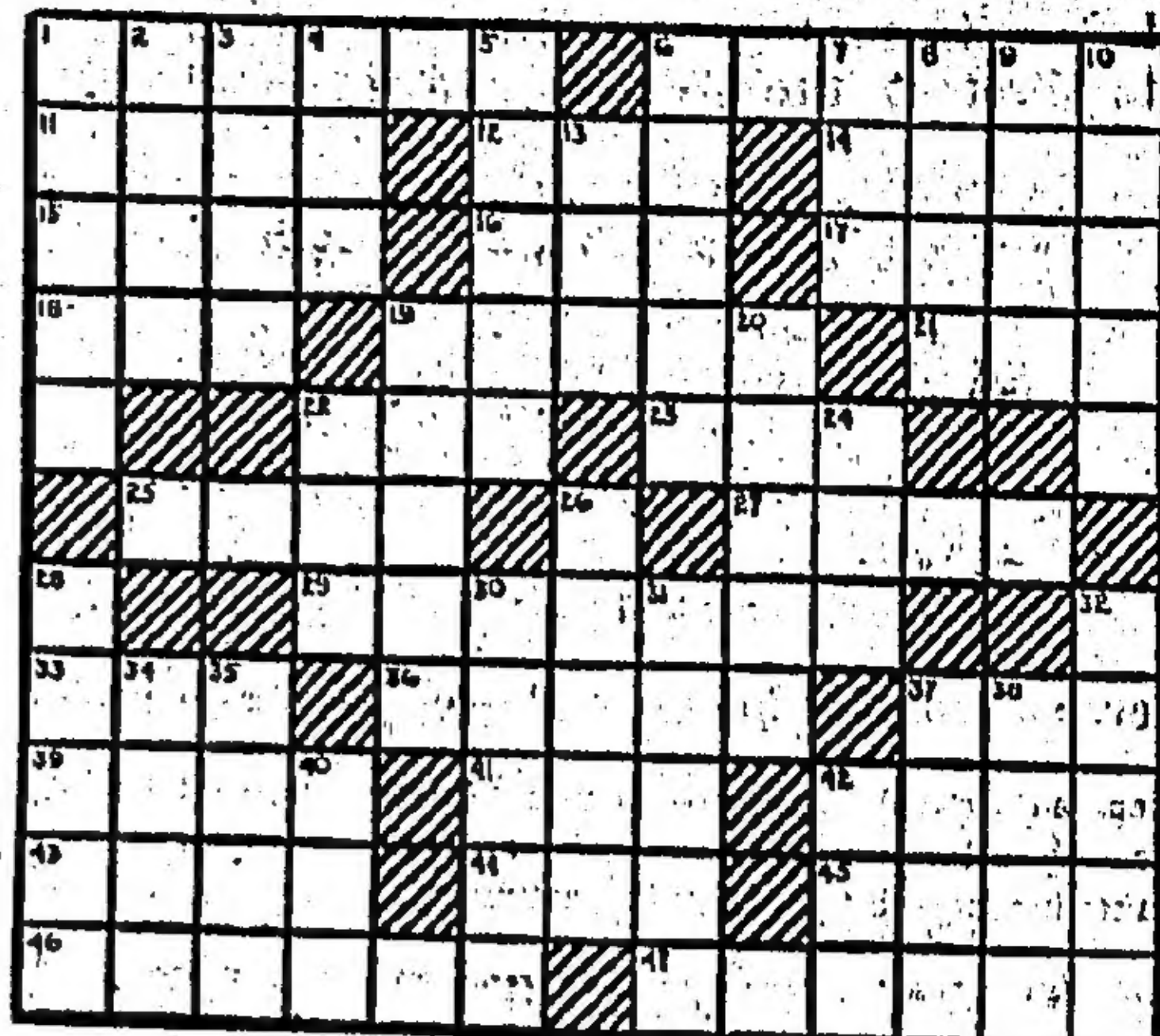


Creme georgette, in a pale, elusive shade of green, is used for a very new dress for the dance. The full skirt dips slightly at the back, and the pretty cape-like fleche, attached to the bodice by a band of silver tissue, follows the line of the skirt. Another band of tissue marks the hip-line, while a spray of pale mauve and silver flowers is arranged in the latest manner—well below the hip on one side.



Very pale yellow chiffon makes an excellent little dress for festive occasions. This one has a full overskirt opening over a plain centre panel, and a bodice which follows the line of the skirt and suggests a bolero with its shaped frill. Little clusters of orange beads, looking like embroidery, are most effectively scattered over bodice and skirt.

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



Horizontal

- 1 Who was the king at the "Round Table"?
- 6 Who was president of Mexico previous to President Porfirio GIL?
- 11 To challenge.
- 12 Frozen water.
- 14 Edge of a roof.
- 15 Tiny particle.
- 16 Small tablet.
- 17 Pleased out.
- 18 Joined.
- 19 Dogma.
- 21 Age.
- 22 Sea eagle.
- 23 Observed.
- 25 Game played on horseback.
- 27 Strip of leather between the shoe and the sole.
- 29 Who was recently elected president of the American Peace Society?
- 33 Stomach.
- 36 To ward off.
- 37 Mineral spring.
- 39 To press.
- 41 Tattler.
- 42 A row of seats.
- 43 Rubber wheel pad.
- 44 Female sheep.
- 45 Too.
- 46 Fetter.
- 47 An under officer of a church.

- 7 Opposite of windward.
- 8 Large inland body of water.
- 9 Incessantly.
- 10 Type of auto body.
- 13 Tin container.
- 19 Company.
- 20 Dusky.
- 23 Sprite.
- 24 Tiny.
- 26 Grain stalk used as bedding for cattle.
- 28 Who was the founder of Virginia?
- 30 More uncommon.
- 31 Impole.
- 32 In Great Britain what title represents the lowest rank of noblemen?
- 34 Melody.
- 35 Small creeping, crawling animal.
- 37 Fine earth suspended in running water.
- 38 What is the monetary unit in the Philippines?
- 40 Clusters of knots in wool fibre.
- 42 Toll.

Yesterday's Solution.

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THE SMALL-POX DANGER.

When the Sanitary Board ten years ago passed a resolution permitting the treatment of small-pox patients in their own homes, subject to certain conditions, it was stated that the adoption of "these new and rather startling principles" on the occasion of a previous outbreak of the disease had reached an end which a stricter application of the regulations had failed to attain. Another statement made was that it was largely due to this concession that the previous epidemic had been dealt with so quickly as it had. The regularising of this method was also defended on the ground that it offered a good prospect of enlisting the co-operation of the public, although it was described by a Government spokesman as being a choice between two evils. The conditions attaching to the concession are that cases must be reported to the authorities, all people residing in the house must be vaccinated, and a notice must be pasted on the door stating that there is a small-pox case in the house.

In view of the figures quoted at Tuesday's meeting of the Sanitary Board, especially the large number of dumped cases, it is pertinent to recall that when the matter was before the Sanitary Board in 1918, the main object of the concession was described as being to prevent, as far as possible, the dumping of bodies of those stricken with the disease. Judged by the returns for the present epidemic, that object is not being attained, for during the past three and a half months no fewer than 478 bodies have been picked up. There is, however, a much more serious aspect of the matter; namely, that the treatment of cases in Chinese tenement houses involves a distinct danger of spreading the disease. If the concession were confined to those living in self-contained homes, there could be less objection to its perpetuation, provided there was immediate notification of the cases and provided strict precautions, in the way of vaccination of all residents, coupled with other measures, were taken. But, unhappily, the greater bulk of the Chinese masses live in tenements which are sub-divided into cubicles, and we agree with the official statement made at Tuesday's meeting of the Sanitary Board that efficient and proper isolation in such surroundings is quite impossible. Mr. Sayer added to this observation another

which suggests that there is no danger of spreading the disease provided those coming in direct or indirect contact with the sufferer are rendered immune by vaccination. That, however, can hardly be the case, for we are told that the nurses and staff at the Kennedy Town Hospital are forbidden to leave the compound "in order to avoid the risk of carrying infection from their patients." As we presume that all the staff are vaccinated, it is conceded that the disease can be carried by persons who themselves may be immune. Then why is a system permitted which allows occupants of tenement houses in which cases occur (where efficient isolation is admittedly impossible) to mix with the community? Incidentally, there was no direct reply at Tuesday's meeting to Dr. Koch's query as to whether compulsory removal to an isolation hospital is insisted upon in the case of foreign sufferers from the disease.

Whilst we agree that there is something to be said for the concession permitting home-treatment of small-pox cases, where the surroundings are satisfactory, especially if it could be shown that it resulted in prompt notification of cases as they occur, we are inclined to think that the risk to the community is too great, during a serious epidemic, to warrant its continuance. The law should also be greatly strengthened for dealing with people who fail to report cases. At the Kowloon Magistrate's court yesterday, Mr. Hamilton expressed surprise that the maximum penalty for this offence is a fine of \$50. We re-echo his sentiment. Seemingly, under the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, the Sanitary Board has power to specify a heavier penalty. If that is so, then that power should be exercised without further delay.

Channel Tunnel.

The Government attitude towards the Channel Tunnel project, willingness to initiate a comprehensive re-examination of the whole question, conforms with public opinion, and could hardly have been more explicit at this stage. Mr. Stanley Baldwin, the official spokesman, noted that the limitless possibilities of the ambitious scheme has again caught popular imagination, but pleaded that a decision should be reached on broad grounds of national policy, and asked for the co-operation of the Liberal and Labour Party leaders in order that the findings of one Government should not be upset by another. All of which is to the good. In a project of so much national importance, the introduction of party conflict would be little short of absurd. While the detailed scheme that now finds favour is comparatively new, calling for the expenditure of £190,000,000, which would provide a railway from London to Paris as well as the tunnel, and would provide a service competing in speed with the Imperial Airways, and running every 45 minutes—the underlying idea dates back to over a century ago, and, at one time later, concessions were actually secured. The biggest factor to-day, the economic considerations, are a modern development. The Southern Railway, with its splendid cross-Channel organisation, would probably be hit most severely, though it is possible that some arrangement between the promoters of the Channel Tunnel scheme and the Railway might be made. One of the strongest arguments introduced in favour of assent is that of Sir William Bull, the Parliamentary advocate, who points out that the expenditure of £30,000,000 on the tunnel would provide 6,000,000 weeks' work. If the whole scheme were undertaken, though the figure seems colossal, its possibilities in the way of mitigating the unemployment problem are enormous. The Committee of Imperial Defence, which has always had the last word in the past is, we believe, still prepared to stress its dangers from the point of view of invasion, but it would say little for our engineers if some means could not be devised whereby the tunnel could be rendered impregnable without endangering its structure. When the various factors are weighed one against the other, the facilities that would be afforded seem to be overwhelmingly the first consideration.

DAY BY DAY.

A MAN WHO GIVES HIS CHILDREN HABITS OF INDUSTRY PROVIDES FOR THEM BETTER THAN BY GIVING THEM A FORTUNE.—*Whately.*

Lieut. Commr. E. W. B. Sim has been appointed to H. M. S. Sterling.

Surgn. Lieut. A. J. Burden, M.B., B.Ch., has been appointed to H.M.S. Cricket.

Commander Henry H. Harwood, M.B.E., of H.M.S. Cumberland, has been promoted to be Captain.

H.M.S. Kent, flying the flag of the Commander-in-Chief, China Station, has arrived here from Kuant.

Seventeen further cases of small-pox, all Chinese, were notified yesterday. Of these, 14 were from Kowloon districts.

Shanghai on the 18th instant experienced the first snowfall of the winter season when, shortly after 9 p.m., it began to snow.

The Directors of the Hongkong Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., announce, that subject to audit, a dividend of \$1 per share for 1928, write off steamers and office furniture \$87,500 and carry forward to 1929 Account \$36,500.83.

In the results of the October examination in written subjects at Home stations, among the successful candidates appears the name of Captain J. E. Drysdale, M.C., of the Royal Army Service Corps, stationed in Hongkong. There were in all 263 candidates who passed—158 Lieutenants, 97 captains and eight majors.

A warrant has been issued by the police for the apprehension of a Chinese named, Yeung Fook-wai, manager of the Yu Shing Import and export firm, of 85 Des Voeux Road West, who is alleged to have absconded with \$40,000 belonging to the firm. A report was made to the authorities by a partner of the firm, Tse Yu-sheung.

The case in which Chun Tak-chan was charged at the Criminal Sessions yesterday with armed robbery at West Point ended in the acquittal of the accused, after Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., who defended, had described the case as the thinnest and most unsatisfactory ever put before a Hongkong jury. The prisoner alleged that he had been subjected to "third methods" by the police, and Mr. Justice Jackson ordered that his allegations should be investigated.

Sentence of twelve months' hard labour was imposed on a returned banished by Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. It was given in evidence that the defendant, who claimed that he had only been deported for ten years and not for life, was originally deported for ten years in 1916, but in February, 1919, he returned and was banished for life. His Worship remarked that defendant was not in a fit condition to be beaten.

BANKNOTE TRICK.

CHINESE MAIDSERVANT VICTIMISED.

The approach of Chinese New Year is a period when the local Police Force is especially on the watch for undesirable characters. It is at this period of the year that the average Chinese woman, having lived parsimoniously throughout the year, brings forth her savings from the family chest and makes purchases for the celebration of the New Year.

Pickpockets reap a rich harvest during this time, for many women, unaccustomed to handling money during the whole year, are easily robbed in the busy districts where the Chinese assemble to buy cakes, crackers, and other essentials to help in the celebrations.

Police pickets have been on the street during the past few days, searching such suspects and in every way possible making the way of the transgressor hard. One well-known form of swindling is by means of the commonly known banknote trick. By handing their victims bundles of worthless paper, which they represent to be banknotes, the crooks often manage to obtain money and jewellery from their victims. They generally tell a harrowing tale of being lost and not knowing their way about. They are quite willing to hand their "money" to their prospective victim to be changed at the nearest place if the victim would only let them have some jewellery as security. They promise to wait, but as soon as their "victim" is out of sight, they promptly disappear.

The first of such cases during the season was mentioned in this morning's police report, a Chinese maidservant being victimised to the extent of \$23 by two men.

SOUND ADVICE TO STUDENTS.

MR. J. D. BUSH ADDRESSES Y.M.C.A. SCHOOL.

Some sound advice to Chinese students was given by Mr. J. D. Bush, M.A., Vice-President of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. at the annual graduation and prize-giving ceremony in connexion with the Y.M.C.A. day school yesterday afternoon.

In the course of his remarks, Mr. Bush said:—"As students, you must learn the secret and learn it early that there is time for everything. Do not be in a hurry to be learned and to achieve wealth, position and power. You can no more hasten the fruition of these aims than you can the growth of a flower and a plant. The world of to-morrow belongs to the youth of to-day. There are tremendous opportunities lying ahead of you and there are gigantic tasks to be done in China in education, agriculture, manufacture and transportation. Before you can succeed in attaining the goal of your ambitions, you must be willing to pay assiduous court to the muses of wisdom in good books, ripe experience, sound thinking and constancy to high ideal."

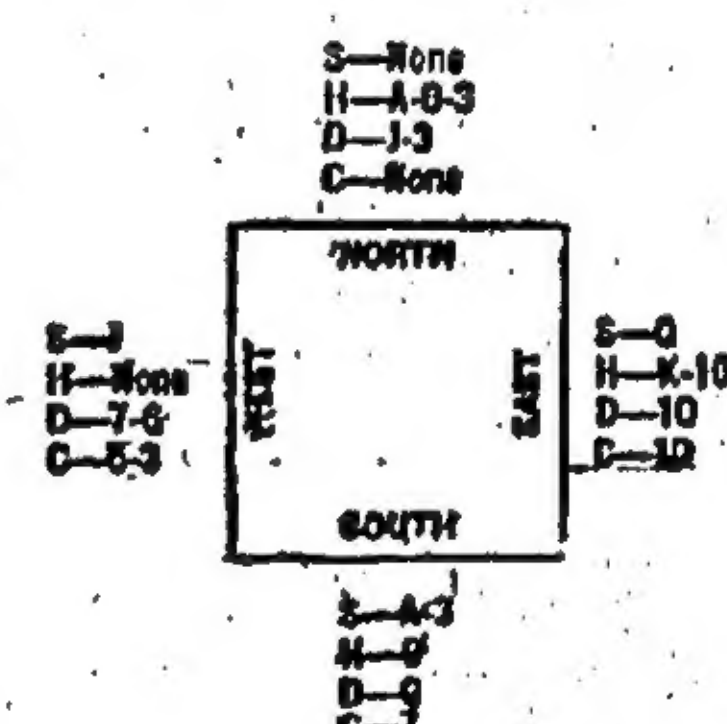
"Do not make the fatal mistakes as many of your predecessors have done in the country of taking hold of jobs too big for them, without the requisite aptitude and preparation. Dear lads, it takes long preparation; it takes immense lot of hard working, like a miner buried in a landlip, in the vigorous words of a noted French novelist, and much thinking and doing too before you can be ready to take your place in the leadership of your country. If you want anything good in this world, you must work for it in a proper way."

"Remember above all, education and ability to do things are not anonymous. School cannot put more brains into a boy's head; it can only help him to make the most of the brains that he has. At best, education consists, roughly paraphrasing Confucius, in understanding the past so as to know how to grapple with the present. As Henry Ford says, 'So schools are useful if they show the blind alleys of human endeavour.' Indeed, the school is the signpost to indicate the right and wrong turnings of life."

Mr. Yu Wan, Inspector of Vernacular Schools, also addressed the students, stressing the importance of education and urging co-operation between students and teachers.



BY FABYAN MATHEY.



There are no trumps, and South has the lead. North and South must win all five tricks.

Lay out the cards on a table, as shown in the diagram, and study the situation. See if you can find a method of play that will net North and South all of the tricks.

The Solution.

In this puzzle the high, good card of a suit must be sacrificed if the correct solution is to be reached.

South leads the ace of spades, North discarding the three of diamonds or the good jack. The three of spades is then led. North discards the other diamond, and East is in a dilemma. A heart discard gives North the rest of the tricks. A diamond discard presents South with a trick in that suit, and when the diamond is led East will again be forced to make a disastrous discard. The same thing occurs if East discards a club on the second spade.

It is interesting to note that the discards of both diamonds are very essential. If a heart and a low diamond are discarded, East will throw his ten of diamonds and win the final trick with a heart. If a heart and the jack of diamonds are discarded, East will save himself by then discarding a heart. The ace and the eight of hearts will both win for North, but at the end the small

The Very Idea!

"Are they literary people down there?" asked Judge Thompson, when a solicitor said that a certain accident had happened in East Ham "near Dickens-road, Macaulay-road, and Thackeray-road." The question must, I think, be answered in the affirmative, for the half was not told in court. There are also in East Ham a Shakespeare-crescent, a Byron-avenue, a Milton-avenue, a Shelley-avenue, a Ruskin-avenue, a Goldsmith-avenue, a Coleridge-avenue, and a Sheridan-avenue. There has also been a historical mind at work: close by are Boleyn-road, Cleves-road, Parr-road, Arragon-road, and Katherine-street, whose united significance cannot be missed by the most casual student of the annals of English matrimony.

For three solid hours the hoarse-voiced sergeant had been lecturing his men on the duties of a soldier, and he thought it was time to see how much they had understood of his discourse.

Casting his glance over the men, he fixed on Private Green. "Why should a soldier be ready to die for his country?" he barked. The man scratched his head for a moment and then a smile of enlightenment crossed his face. "Yes, sir," he said, "you're quite right. Why should he?"

I doubt whether education makes one better or happier.—Lord Hugh Cecil.

No mathematician likes arithmetic.—Professor G. B. Jeffery.

Does the right honourable gentleman laugh at Cameron of Lochiel?—Mr. T. Johnson, M.P.

The writing of history is now regarded as genteel employment for the man of comfortable means who has retired from business.—Mr. Philip Guedalla.

A woman has only to go down to Dover and dip her toes in the Channel to become famous.—Miss Ellen Wilkinson.

To-day's Dog Story.—"Many years ago," writes a reader, "I had an uncle who lived at the end of that quiet little cul-de-sac called St. James's-place. He frequently came home in the afternoon in a hansom, not his own but one just picked-up. As soon as the wheels were heard coming round the corner by Spencer House his dog, a Skye terrier called Smut, always jumped up from his place by the drawing-room fire and rushed down to the hall to greet his master."

"One day my aunt had visitors, and was describing, to the exploit, 'In a few minutes you will see it for yourselves,' she said. The wheels were heard; nothing happened. Smut did not turn a hair. Of course dogs and children will never show off when expected. Five minutes passed; again wheels were heard, and Smut was downstairs in a twinkling. How did he know that his master was in the second hansom and not in the first?"

[The winner of the silver cup for the best essay by an elementary school pupil in London was a girl of 13, who stated, when she took the cup, that her wish was to be a hair-dresser.]

She wrote the best of essays Produced in London town, And added to the growing sum Of feminine renown. She beat the boys in wordy war, And led a conquering host, And then declared her longing for The work that pleased her most.

She envied no Jane Austin, No Fanny Burney's fame; The mantle Mrs. Browning left She had no wish to claim. For further literary grace, She frankly did not care, And only hoped to find a place In dressing ladies' hair.

Neighbour, to a woman at Bow County Court—Woman, were married recently. Woman, acedly—Yes, and I did not ask permission of the neighbours.

When Rochford (Essex) Gas Works (soon to be demolished) were built—in the good old days—consumers used as much gas as they wished for £1 a day.

Sheriff Brand, at Dumfries—When I am in a motor car I never find drivers driving at twenty miles an hour. Thirty miles an hour is quite a moderate speed.

The grandson, great-granddaughter, and great-great-grandson of John Constable, the painter, took part in the opening of the new village hall at Woodham Walter, near Chelmsford, recently.

diamond will fall rather hard. If two hearts are discarded by North, the small diamond again loses.

North and South must begin with the two rounds of spades. Otherwise East and West will march off with at least one trick, and probably two or three.

**AMERICAN MISSION
ATTACKED.****BANDITS BRUTALLY ASSAULT
DOCTOR'S WIFE.****THREAT OF DEATH.**

Authentic news has been received in Tientsin says the North China Sunday Times, of an outrageous invasion of the American Board Mission premises at Tchow in North Shantung on the Tainpu Railway, when Dr. F. F. Tucker's house was invaded and robbed. Mrs. Tucker was struck and her young son was seized and threatened with death. Dr. Tucker is field investigator and supervisor for the China International Famine Relief Commission in Shantung and Chihli, and devotes a great deal of time and care to the relief of destitute Chinese in the stricken areas.

The idea seems to have been spread among the Chinese troops and others in the neighbourhood of Tchow that Dr. Tucker had at his house a large amount of famine fund money. This was not the case, but on January 7 last about 7.30 p.m. ten or 12 armed bandits, believed to be soldiers, knocked at the gate and announced that "The general had arrived." When the gate was partly opened they pushed in and forced the gatekeeper and those with him into the gatehouse. They left some of their number on guard at the gate and the rest went into the compound, where they met a servant, and covering him with a revolver they made him show them which was Dr. Tucker's house.

Mrs. Tucker Seized.

The servant took them to the back door of the doctor's house, and they went into the kitchen. Dr. Tucker was not in the house but it happened that Mrs. Tucker came into the kitchen when the brigands pounced upon her and demanded the famine funds. She said she had none. They pointed pistols at her, slapped her and struck her, and made her show them where she kept her own money. They found some \$250, which they took. They seized one of Mrs. Tucker's sons, Arthur, aged about 14, and made him take them over the house, but when they found nothing to satisfy them they came down again to Mrs. Tucker, bringing her son Arthur, and said if they did not produce the famine fund money they would take the boy and shoot him. The mother seized the boy in her arms, and the ruffians also seized him.

While this short struggle was going on, an extraordinary thing happened. It appears that in the hospital not far away an emergency operation was being performed at the very time the brigands were at work. It is the hospital matron's practice when an operation is over to blow a whistle as a summons to the nurses to come and take away the patient and clear up the room. The matron accordingly blew the whistle, and the bandits at the gate thinking it was an alarm signal were scared, and called to their comrades to make their escape. The gang made off in haste doing no further damage.

A Fortunate Escape.

Mr. Fairfield of the same Mission, it appears, was going about this time to Lintsing, 60 miles south of Tchow, by motor bus. There are two motor bus services daily, and a man was sent out to book a seat in one of the buses, but came back after reserving a seat for Mr. Fairfield, and reported that the other bus was much better. Mr. Fairfield accordingly went by the second bus. It is a singular fact that the first bus, by which Mr. Fairfield was expected to travel, was held up by bandits and the passengers robbed of about \$1,000.

EXCHANGE RATES.

London, Jan. 23.	
Paris	124.10
Geneva	25.22
Berlin	20.40
Oslo	18.19
Helsingfors	192%
Athens	375
Buenos Aires	47.16/82
Hongkong	2/-
New York	48.41/82
Amsterdam	12.00%
Stockholm	13.14
Vienna	34.53
Madrid	29.68%
Bucharest	807%
Bombay	176.1/82
Yokohama	171.10/15/82
Brussels	34.91
Milan	92.70
Copenhagen	18.18
Prague	163%
Tientsin	100%
Shanghai	5.29/32
Silver (spot)	2.70%
Silver (forward)	28.1/16

—British Wireless.

**BARBERS ON TRIAL
FOR MURDER.****STORY OF DEATH IN MOTOR
CAR ACCIDENT.****TO-DAY'S EVIDENCE.**

The case in which Lok Choi and Lau Hon, barbers, are alleged to have murdered Lau Mei, another barber, at a spot near Kowloon City on October 21 or 22, 1928, was continued at the Criminal Sessions this morning, before the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan) when evidence was heard with regard to a quarrel between the two prisoners and the deceased.

Mr. Somerset Fitzroy is conducting the case for the Crown, and Mr. Hin Shing Lo, instructed by Mr. J. M. D'Almeida Remedios, is defending.

Cheung Chiu, a barber working at the Hung Fat barber shop, Canton Road, Kowloon, said that on October 19 he went to look for Lau Mei at his shop, together with another man. On arriving there, witness saw that the deceased was having a quarrel with the two prisoners over an account.

Witness checked the account and certified it as correct at \$40.8. He gave the paper to Lau Mei, who put it in his pocket and said that he wanted to go to the Police Station with the two prisoners. The last time witness saw Lau Mei alive was at about five o'clock on the afternoon of October 20.

Witness said that he did not see Lok Choi again until October 30, when he came into witness's shop to buy something. Lok Choi was then asked by another man present as to where Lau Mei had gone. Lok Choi replied "About two days ago he went to Kowloon City and he was there killed by a motor car. It is so reported in the papers. Didn't you know it?"

When witness heard about the accident, he went to a friend who he knew read the newspapers and asked him if he would look through them for a report of the accident. He told the man that he particularly wanted any description of the clothing worn by the victim of the accident.

A search was made in the newspapers and witness was told that there was no report of a motor accident, but there was a report of a case of murder.

Witness was also told that if he went to the Police Station he would see there a photograph of the dead man. He went there, saw the photograph and recognised it, and later made a report to Yau-mat Police Station.

The trial is proceeding.

FRIENDS OR ENEMIES?**DEFENDANT'S STORY OF
FRIENDSHIP DENIED.**

When a Chinese appeared before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, on a charge of picking the pocket of a pedestrian in Shanghai Street, the defendant claimed that he and the complainant had been good friends and had actually lived together. The defendant further alleged that when he was serving a previous term of imprisonment, the complainant visited him and took him clothing. Later, however, the two men had a quarrel over a girl, and the present charge was nothing but a fabrication.

The complainant emphatically denied that he knew the defendant or had even seen him before. His Worship remanded the case for further enquiries and remarked that if it were proved that the two men were acquainted with each other, he would very much like to see the complainant again. On the other hand, his Worship said that for the defendant's sake he hoped he could substantiate his allegations.

**FORMER RESIDENT'S
ESTATE.****LATE MRS. DANBY LEAVES
OVER \$105,000.**

Mrs. Lucy Caroline Danby, widow, late of Tettenhall, Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, who died at a Nursing Home at No. 5, Johnson Street, Wolverhampton, on March 8, 1928, at the age of 79, left Hongkong estate to the value of \$105,500, while net personality elsewhere amounts to \$5,397.

Probate of the will and a codicil has been granted to Mr. J. D. Danby, of Hongkong. The will contains family bequests.

Letters of administration have been granted to Chan Ng-shi, the wife of Chan Sham, a merchant, of 10, Wyndham Street, who died intestate. Death took place at the Yeung Wo Nursing Home on December 21, 1927. The local estate is sworn at \$402,000.

**HARLEY STREET
TRAGEDY.****CANCER SPECIALISTS TAKE
OWN LIVES.****DRAMATIC NOTE LEFT.**

London, Jan. 16. Two brothers, Harley Street specialists, Doctors A. B. Smith and S. M. Smith, were found dead together in a sensational circumstances in a flat which they had rented for a fortnight. One of them had apparently died from a knife wound in the throat, while the other had succumbed to poison.

Both were doctors of standing in cancer research. When they were missed last Tuesday afternoon, police entered the flat and found a large sheet of notepaper on the table. This, apparently their last message, was headed "To the nation."

Under the heading were closely written pencilled words telling what the dead men evidently thought the public should know. In addition to this dramatic document the police found other documents with a direct bearing on the tragedy.

The doctors' death message was to the following effect: "We have given our lives to the study of cancer research. We have reduced ourselves to a state of poverty. Life is not worth having."

Harley Street doctors having rooms in the same house as that in which the brothers rented a consulting room state that they knew very little about them save that at times they seemed peculiar. —British Wireless.

MUSICAL JOTTINGS.

Musical Criticism Again—
Heughan's Concerts—Trinity
College Exams.

[BY "ALLEGRO"]

A correspondent in a contemporary, writing about the local composers' concert held last week, raised the question of whether amateurs would resent press criticism of their efforts. Speaking as a professional, he stated that, from his experience, if a newspaper departed from the invidious style, amateurs were bound to get upset, but he took them to task for doing so, seeing that the public were charged the same amount to hear them as to listen to professionals. What gave rise to his comments was a critique which had ventured to point out in a constructive way a few minor faults which were to be found in the works or their interpreters. If any amateur were to take offence at helpful criticism like that, he or she had better never appear in public at all; everyone gets a little weary of the accounts of concerts which are one long list of superlatives from beginning to end.

The subject has been discussed in these Jottings on more than one occasion, and my reason for broaching it again is that the idea seems to be prevalent that nothing but praise should be lavished just because the performers are singing or playing without remuneration. But whenever the amateurs themselves are questioned, it seems to

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**JAPANESE GOODS IN
CANTON.****MUST BE DISPOSED OF
IN TWO MONTHS.****LATEST DECISIONS.**

A circular order has been issued by the Kwangtung Committee for Severance of Economic Relations With Japan to its various sub-committees in various districts, referring to a resolution adopted at the 46th ordinary meeting to specify a period during which the merchants are to dispose of all their stocks of undesirable goods, and ordering them to further notify all merchants that they should clear out all the undesirable goods within two months commencing from the 21st. inst. After that date the goods will be disposed of by the committee in accordance with the provisions in Article No. 3 of the regulations a copy of which has been appended to the order.

The regulation are as follows:

1. That these regulations have been drawn up in accordance with the resolutions adopted at the 34th meeting of the Executive Committee.
2. That the shops which have registered their stock of undesirable goods, or have obtained the same by purchase from this Committee shall sell these goods within two months, commencing from the 21st day of the Republic.
3. That shops failing to sell out the undesirable goods within the above-mentioned period, shall report particulars of the remaining stock to this Committee within a week after the expiration of the period. The goods will then be sealed up by officers to be sent by this committee.
4. That the undesirable goods thus sealed up shall not be allowed to be taken out secretly and sold to the public and in the event of such practices, shall be liable to confiscation upon being found, while fines will be imposed.
5. That these regulations shall be subject to modification by the Executive Committee when found necessary.
6. That these regulations are to become effective on the day when they are promulgated.

"CATHRYN."**NOTED AMERICAN DANCER
COMING.**

"Cathryn," a famous American dancer who is at present on a world tour, will appear during each performance at the Queen's Theatre for a brief season commencing Sunday next.

This talented artist has appeared with great success in almost every city in the world and has been billed in such notable shows as "Tangerine" and "Artists and Models."

During her stay in Hongkong, "Cathryn" will present a variety of items including Spanish, classical, oriental and interpretive dances and preference will be given to the items which have proved most popular elsewhere. A complete change of programme will be given on Tuesday and Thursday. There will be no increase in prices.



FAY: I hope my ankles are strong.
MAE: I hope the loa is strong.

**HANKOW BOYCOTT
OUTLOOK.****200 MORE JAPANESE MARINES
ARRIVE BY STEAMER.****FUNDS FOR STRIKERS.**

Hankow, Jan. 23. The Japanese here are still maintaining a cautious attitude. All Japanese traders and shopkeepers in the Chinese City have suspended business for the time being and have moved into the Concession.

Japanese reinforcements arrived yesterday, when a Japanese steamer brought an aeroplane, 200 Japanese marines and a consignment of ammunition for the Japanese Concession.

The Tientsin Anti-Japanese Society has succeeded in collecting \$10,000 which has been sent to the Hankow Strikers' Headquarters to finance the strike.

A sum of one hundred dollars has been assigned to the family of the Chinese coolie who was killed in the motor-cycle incident. It is also learned that the Nanking Anti-Japanese Society has dispatched a sum of \$1,000 to the Hankow Headquarters.

Regarding the detention of the Chinese pickets from a launch, the Chinese Foreign Commissioner has sent a strong protest to the Japanese Consul demanding their immediate release. The request not having been complied with, the Commissioner has wired to Nanking urging the Foreign Ministry to take action.

**FIRST WEST INDIES
CONFERENCE.****IMPORTANT LANDMARK
IN HISTORY.**

London, Jan. 23. The Colonial Secretary has sent the following telegram to the Governor of Barbados on the occasion of the opening of the first West Indies Conference:

"I desire to tender my best wishes for the complete success of the Conference and to express my confidence that it will prove fruitful in measures for promoting the well-being of the West Indian Colonies, British Guiana, British Honduras and Bermuda, and for effecting close and cordial co-operation between them in all matters of common concern."

"The occasion is one of great significance both Imperial and local, and I believe it will constitute an important landmark in the history of the West Indies and will inaugurate a new era in the handling of their affairs." —British Wireless.

**SCOTS GUARDS ON
WAY HOME.****ARRIVE IN HONGKONG ON
TRANSPORT.**

The transport City of Marseilles arrived in Hongkong from Shanghai this morning, with the 2nd Battalion Scots Guards on board. The Battalion came out as part of the Shanghai Defence Force and was stationed in Hongkong for some months before being transferred to the North.

The Guards are now on their way to England, where they will be stationed at Chelsea.

Both here and in Shanghai the Battalion has worthily upheld the traditions of the Regiment, and the Far East bids it good-bye with the utmost regret.

BIG HANKOW BLAZE.**MATCH FACTORY COM-
PLETELY DESTROYED.**

Hankow, Jan. 23. Some excitement was created on Monday night by a huge fire which broke out in a large Chinese match factory. On account of the nature of the goods, the conflagration at one time seriously endangered neighbouring buildings.

The flames were not got under control until they had entirely destroyed the factory.

The Japanese marines throughout the evening maintained special precautions.

Since the Commissioner of Civil Affairs and the Commissioner of Finance have been instructed by the Canton Government to draft regulations for the prohibition of opium-smoking, they consider that unless severe punishment is provided for, the prohibition scheme cannot be carried out satisfactorily.

They have therefore proposed to the Government an order that the death sentence should be passed on those under 40 years of age who smoke opium. —Nan Chun Pao.

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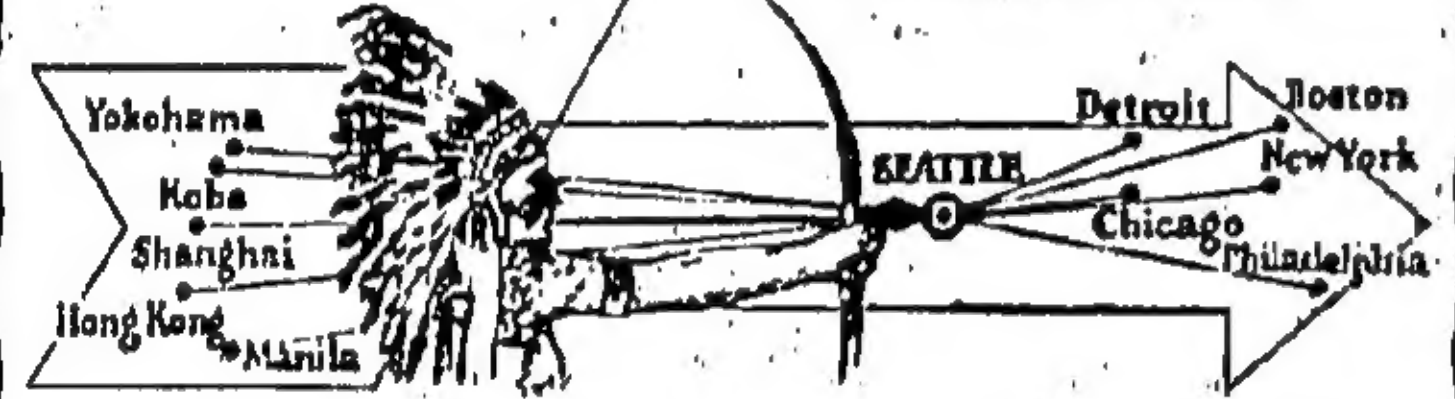
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THE WORLD OF SPORT



INTERPORT TEAM PROSPECTS.

PROBLEMS OF TRIAL MATCHES.

FUNG KING-CHEONG'S EXPLOIT YESTERDAY.

PROBABLE ELEVEN?

[By "Wanderer."]

Like most of the preceding matches of this type, the value of yesterday's Interport trial is exceedingly doubtful. Two players emerged from the match with enhanced reputations, in the eyes of the selectors, Fung King-cheong (South China) and Barkham (Tamar). The former scored four goals, three by brilliant opportunism, while Barkham centred the ball with delightful accuracy in the second half, after being starved practically throughout the first.

It must be emphasised, however, without in any way discrediting the merit of their performances, that they shone against comparatively weak opposition, and moreover, it is useful to stress that Fung King-cheong really showed his pace—his ball control was delightful and he had the eye for an opening in marked degree—when he changed from inside-right to centre-forward. I notice that in next week's trial, he again appears at inside-right.

Not Taken Seriously.

It is very difficult to escape from the fact, which I have stressed again and again, that these recent trials have not been taken by the players in all due seriousness, and this does not assist the selectors. Yesterday, two of the selected team failed to appear. Previously, the position has been worse than this. For Gosano, there is every excuse: he wrenched his left leg against Kowloon last Saturday. Caldwell, I understand, was playing in a friendly match for his regiment.

Another instance is to be found in the exploits of the forward line yesterday after Fung King-cheong had set an individual record for the season by scoring four goals in succession. He manoeuvred in every way until he had secured a goal for Suen Kam-shun, and then tried to do the same for Rocha, even throwing away a certain goal on one occasion to give a pass.

Club Form.

The game was scrappy, nine goals were scored, five for the Interporters and four for the Army and Navy eleven. The real form of the players was extremely difficult, if not impossible to estimate. On his display yesterday, Wynne might possibly gain a place as reserve, yet we know very well that his place in the eleven for Monday, February 11th, is practically assured.

His club form is such as to offer no reasonable alternative, and it is my opinion, for what it is worth, that the selectors should concentrate on club form in making their final decisions.

Another trial team has been chosen for next Wednesday, and there can be little doubt that this constitutes the best eleven chosen so far.

It is as follows:
Clark (Police);
Wynne (Police);
Bishop (Club);
Everest (K.O.S.B.);
McKelvie (Kowloon);
Lam Yuk-ying (Chinese Ath.);
Barkham (Navy);
Fung King-cheong (S. China);
Gosano (Rocelo);
Suen Kam-shun (Chinese Ath.);
Chan Kwong-ut (Chinese Ath.).

Team Possibilities.

If the above eleven were chosen for the Interport match there could be little ground for criticism. At the same time, there appear to be at least six positions in doubt. Several players have been tried in the left back position, and the solution has not yet been found. Both Dodson and Xavier failed to convince yesterday. Other candidates are Hooper, Martin and Bishop. Bishop is a very useful man to have knocking around. If a strong right wing is placed in the opposition next week, and he does well, he may fill the bill excellently.

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

THREE SUSPENSIONS ORDERED.

At the last meeting of the Emergency Committee of the Hongkong Football Association, the following suspensions were decided on:
Junior Shield match between R.A. and South China "B" on January 12.—Davy (R.A.) suspended until November 1, 1929, for deliberately kicking an opponent, and Walker (R.A.) suspended for the rest of the season for ungentlemanly conduct towards the referee at the close of the game.
Eastern v. Kowloon, Junior League game, on Jan. 5.—T. All (Eastern) suspended for the rest of the season for striking an opponent.

AMATEUR SKATING.

C. HORN WINS THE DUDDLESTON CUP.

London, Jan. 23.
The ice held at Welney Wash, and in accordance with arrangements an amateur skating contest was held yesterday.
C. Horn, the amateur champion of Britain, won the Duddleston Cup over a course of one mile, with five turns, in 3 minutes, 20-2/5 seconds.—*British Wireless.*

HOCKEY.

K.I.T.C. TEAM FOR TO-DAY'S MATCH.

The following will represent the K.I.T.C. in a hockey match at Sookun-poo-day against the R.A.M.C. bully off at 4.45 p.m.: Yurbachan Singh, Narayan Singh, Modh Khan (Capt.), Amir Khan, Firdos Khan, Dr. G. A. Khan, Ahmed Khan, Autar Singh, Jem Waris Khan, Jem. Mahkhan Singh, J. D. Tipu. Reserve, Khushi Mohd.

THE DAVIS CUP.

ALL-JAPAN ASSOCIATION CHOOSSES ITS TEAM.

Tokyo, Jan. 23.
The All-Japan Tennis Association has selected Yoshiro Ohta and Tamio Abe, two well-known internationals, also Sadaichi Onda who is a resident of New York, to play in the American zone for the Davis Cup.—*Reuter.*

Everest and Remedios are the principal claimants for the right-half position, and I would plump for the former as the much stronger and more reliable of the pair.

In the absence of Sims, the centre-half position presents a very real problem. Hill, Davey and McKelvie are all strong half-backs, but McKelvie has experience and generalship which the others do not entirely lack, but have not been blessed in the same measure. McKelvie needs only to play a strong attacking game to justify himself.

Lam Yuk-ying is the logical left-half back provided he is fit and well.

Forward Problem.
Forward, the selection of Chan Kwong-ut depends largely on his partner, Suen, and it would be difficult to leave the latter out. Barkham did, sufficient yesterday to justify perseverance, and he may easily gain his place.

The inside-right and centre-forward positions are more difficult of choice. They will probably be chosen from Goldman, Gosano and Fung King-cheong, all centre-forwards, and all of especial merit in that position. This is a serious problem which the selection committee will decide for themselves. Yesterday's trial made things a little more complicated, since Fung's potentialities had not been fully realised. There is a strong feeling that Goldman is too well known by the Shanghai team to be able to bring out his best, but the other side must hold good that Goldman probably knows the abilities of the opposition.

It should depend on Gosano's fitness. He has not had a good season in the matter of injuries, though the leg may easily be right in time. If this proves to be the case, he should be played with Fung. The alternative is obvious.

To sum up, it will be seen that the team chosen for next Wednesday approaches very near to my conception of the probable Interport team, and there can be little doubt that it would give any sort of opposition a rare run.

MUSICAL JOTTINGS.

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be the opinion that such critiques are not only justified but helpful. It is the destructive criticism that rouses resentment—the type which judges every singer by how far she falls short of Melba's standard, and every violinist by comparison with Kreisler, and implies how much better the critic could do it himself. And such resentment is not confined to amateurs.

There is a concert of Modern French Music at the Helena May Institute this evening. Debussy, Ravel, Saint-Saens and Franck are the principal composers represented, and the artists will be Mrs. Hargreaves-Brown, Mrs. Bowes-Smith and Capt. Macnair. The principal work will be Franck's Violin and Piano Sonata, which is a most beautiful composition in four movements.

Heughan was more at home in his singing of Scottish songs than in his rendering of opera. He probably knows it himself and that is why he devotes the greater part of his programme to Scottish and other folk songs. The most popular moments were, in fact, those when he was bordering on the comic and making Lauder-like speeches about "puddins" and so forth. At any rate, there were a number of Scots people in my vicinity who showed much hilarity and enthusiasm at such moments, whatever may have been their capacity for enjoying the musical side of the programme.

Heughan has certainly struck out on a line of his own, as is claimed for him. He is the first singer I have heard who has rendered simple folk songs, sea-shanties, etc., on a concert platform with a wealth of dramatic intonation and gesture savouring of Chailapine at Covent Garden. I considered it rather overdone, and found this opinion shared by nearly everyone I have spoken to since the concert. He wears correct Highland evening dress, for which a defence is made on the programme, but endeavours to cover it up with a black cape whenever he is singing songs of other nationalities. A comment pretty generally heard was that the constant donning and removal of this cape became distinctly irritating.

A first-class singer who brings with him a solo-pianist and a cellist, ought surely to bring with him or hire a grand piano for his concert. There was merely an upright on the platform, and the top was kept closed, which rendered the accompaniments quite

inadequate. In items such as the "Song of the Viking Guest" and the "Song of the Flea," which need an orchestral accompaniment, the support given by a closed upright on a theatre platform is as weak as to detract from the effectiveness of the songs. To play piano solos on such an instrument is neither fair to the pianist nor the audience.

This is the first time that we have had a good setting for a concert in the Theatre Royal. The draperies ordered by the City Hall trustees were ready just in time for Heughan, and very effective they were, being curtains of wide black and old gold stripes which are restful to the eyes and show up the performers to advantage. It is also the first time that intercomers have not shuffled into their places during songs and solos; the placards placed outside by the Hongkong Musical Society requesting them not to do so proved very opportune.

The other day I listened to two Revues in my house. They were not broadcasted, but were contained on two Columbia records, opening chorus, solos, cross talk by comedians and finales complete. It is rather an amusing innovation, though the idea has been developed by the B.B.C. for some time. The same company brought out the first records of the musical play "Virginia," which include a successful number, "Roll Away, Clouds." I wondered who the composer might be and found it was Furbur, Weston, Lee, Waller and Tunbridge, which makes it a bit awkward for those who index their records under the composers' names!

Among the more serious records I must mention a good recording of the melodious and ever-popular Fifth Symphony of Tchaikowsky. It is on seven records, but it makes a fine addition to the gramophone's library and those who can do so should invest in it. Another noteworthy album contains six Chopin nocturnes played by Godowsky, who is recognised as one of the best exponents of that master. The nocturnes have not been recorded, to the same extent as some of the other types of compositions, and two or three of these will probably be quite new to the general public. They are preceded by a talk by Ernest Newman, the critic, which I think might have been printed on a slip of paper, as one does not like paying for something that will probably not be put on more than twice. Beethoven-lovers will enjoy the Theme and Variations played on the violin by Lionel Tertis.

Franck's Piano Quintet, with Cortot at the piano, has now made its appearance in the Victor list, the recording having been transferred from the H.M.V. company. It is a fine piece of chamber music, written by Cesar Franck before

most of the other works that have made his name famous, and the nucleus of some of his later ideas may be found in it. The same company has brought out three or four good records of Carmen, played by the famous Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra. These, together with the Valse-Serenade of Tchaikowsky, can be whole-heartedly recommended.

It is interesting to note that the Trinity College of Music, which, out of all the hundreds of colleges of music, ranks second in importance only to the Royal Academy and Royal College, is holding an examination here in May, for the first time. The Examiner will be sent from London. Prospective candidates for the various divisions—Theory, Instrumental, Singing and Elocution—can obtain the necessary forms from the local secretary, Mr. Wm. Anderson, of the Anderson Music Co., but they must be returned to him before the 30th January. The success of the first examination is already assured, judging from the many applications so far received, one teacher alone having sent in seventeen. All the textbooks and music necessary can be obtained from the Anderson Music Co. The examiner will be Albert Mallinson, the famous song writer.

OVERCAST.

To-day's Observatory report states that the anticyclone central over S.E. Mongolia has weakened slightly. The typhoon is about 200 miles west of Iloilo, moving W. or W.N.W. Strong to fresh monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea. Cycloonic gales to the north of Borneo. The local forecast till noon to-morrow is:—N.E. winds, fresh; generally overcast.

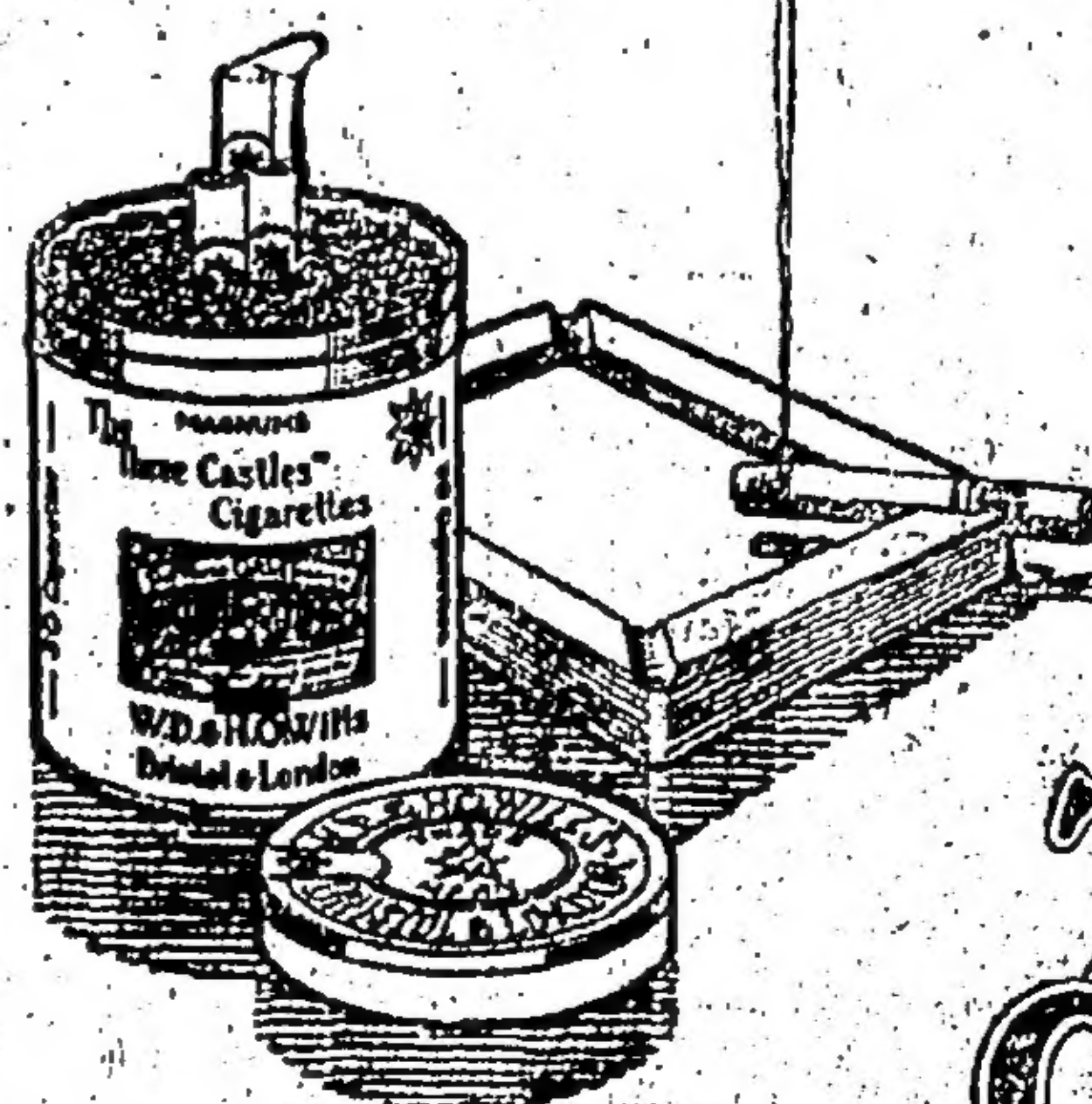
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Mexico City, Jan. 23.

In the course of affairs during the election for the state governorship of Hidalgo, one side alone had 44 dead and 100 wounded.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Paris, Jan. 23.

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tion of \$100. They were grateful likewise to those who gave smaller donations; it was such generous hearts and hands that would enable them to carry out the library scheme which is such an essential item in the association.

There was one notable figure missing from the gathering Mr. J. M. Noronha who had not been able to attend owing to the illness of his wife. They extended to him and to his wife and family their most heartfelt sympathy.

Commenting on the fact that their association was part of a world-wide organisation, the speaker went on to remark that there were other mighty organisations, connected with the Jesuit and Dominican Orders, whose local representative they were pleased to have among them that night. They wished them every success; they did work on a larger scale; at the same time they lent a helping hand when called upon, and had contributed in no small measure to the success of the Brothers' efforts in many parts of the work.

The speaker was heartily applauded.

The toast to the guests was proposed by Mr. Frank Barnes and Mr. G. P. de Martin replied.

Father Byrne, S. J., also spoke. The evening concluded with selections of musical items by present and past pupils.

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CATHOLIC LECTURE.

FATHER BYRNE ON SCIENCE AND RELIGION.

A lecture on "Science and Religion" was given by Father G. Byrne, S.J., at St. Patrick's Hall last evening, this marking the first of a series to be given during the remainder of this month and the early part of next.

The following were some of the main points touched on by the lecturer:

Years ago, Herbert Spencer wrote "Of all antagonism of belief, the oldest, the widest, the most profound, and the most important is that between religion and science." Five years after Spencer's death Sir Oliver Lodge wrote: "I think that it will be admitted that orthodox science at present, though it shows some signs of abating from virulent criticism of religious creeds, is still a long way from contributing in any degree to their support.... No doubt both sides would allow that the highest Science and the truest Theology must ultimately be mutually consistent and harmonious; but they are far from presenting that appearance at present."

Spencer is known as a philosopher, Lodge as a scientist; where does the "Theologian" come in? The answer to that question would throw a flood of light on what a very distinguished scientist of our own days, Sir Bertrand Russell, F.R.S., calls one of the most astonishing psychological phenomena of our time, the belief, namely, that there could be opposition between real religion and real science. We stress the word "real." For the heart of the problem lies there. The fact is that Religion and Science are occupied with completely different branches of knowledge and their methods of investigation are different. The word Science is used

new-days to represent the results achieved by the study of natural events. Men, called scientists, devote their lives to examining the facts which can be observed in natural occurrences, tabulating and arranging these facts, and to trying to find out their causes and their various effects.

So the biologist will study plants, the entomologist insects, the astronomer the stars. Each has his own branch of study and his method of work. The results of one are quite different from those of the other. The entomologist will not laugh at the conclusions of the astronomer about perihelion because his microscope showed no perihelion in a cockroach. "Obvious!" you will say, because cockroaches and planets are quite different things. It ought to be equally obvious to one considering Religion and Science that there could be no opposition between them, as they deal with different concepts. If the astronomer begins to theorise about the possibility of a cockroach existing in Hongkong, because of the earth's perihelion, he at once joins battle with the entomologist, but he has ceased to talk as a scientist; he is indulging

VITAL STATISTICS.

BRITAIN'S HIGHER BIRTH RATE IN 1928.

London, Jan. 23. In England and Wales during 1928 the birth rate was higher and the death rate lower than in the previous year, and the figures for infant mortality were the lowest ever recorded.

The birth rate was 16.7 per thousand of the population, which is 0.1 per thousand above that of 1927.

The death rate was 11.7 per thousand, or 0.6 lower than the previous year; and the infant death rate was 65 per thousand live births.—*British Wireless.*

In hypotheses, he is philosophising. His hypothesis is worth the proofs by which he can substantiate it, nothing more.

Science and Hypotheses.

There is clearly a difference between Science and hypotheses put forward in the name of Science which Professor Bateson lamented as "giving to the ignorant as a gospel, in the name of science, the rough guesses of to-day that to-morrow should forget," and still more strongly Huxley when he said: "The assertion that outstrips the evidence is not only a blunder but a crime."

If the physiologist or the anthropologist objects that he finds no trace of a spiritual soul in the cells of the brain, the clear rejoinder is that if he had found traces it would not have been spiritual, for the very concept of spirituality implies that it could not be spread out over or locked up in matter. If now he asserts that the arrangement of the cells is sufficient to explain thought he has gone beyond his experiments, for his microscope did not show him cells thinking. He is philosophising and other evidence is demanded than that of his laboratory.

Religion simply means the bond existing between man and God.

The theologian is the official exponent of Religion, as the Scientist is of Science. He proves the existence of God and examines the nature of God by methods much more similar to those of the mathematician than to those of the biologist. He studies the connection between God and man. From the mere fact that this boy is the son of those parents, a bond exists; on the part of the boy, dependence with an obligation to translate it into filial piety. So, if there be a God as the theologian conceives Him, there arises on the part of man a relationship towards Him as definite as that between the boy and his parents. This relationship finds expression in Religion.

None of the natural Sciences tell me anything directly about such a God. They are all occupied with facts of the material order. They have no machinery, nor do they pretend to have, for penetrating into an order where molecules and atoms are not found.

World of Conclusions. It is quite a different question when we come to what are called

DYNAMITE STOLEN.

ARMED ROBBERY AT NGAU SHI WAN.

In the small hours of yesterday morning, a band of four men broke into a magazine where dynamite was stored on the hillside at Ngau Shi Wan, and stole a quantity of explosives and detonators valued by the owner, a road contractor, at \$33.

Previous to this they entered a matchbox occupied by a man employed by the contractor to watch over the store. Rousing him, they demanded the keys of the magazine, at the same time sticking the point of a dagger into his stomach. He was not to be daunted, and lied that the keys were in the keeping of a clerk who lived elsewhere. However, after a search, they found the keys in his belt and used these to make an entry into the magazine.

After the men had escaped, the watchman freed himself from his bonds and at about 9 o'clock made a rather belated report of the affair to the local police station.

It is understood that no arrest has been made.

ed "Religions." Here we enter, at once, into a world of conclusions and hypotheses similar to that of the Scientists who, leaving aside scalpel and microscope, begin to philosophise. We can quite conceive opposition here between theologians and Scientists: quite a different thing than opposition between Religion and Science. If in the official creed of a certain Religious sect it is embodied as an article of faith that man came into existence exactly four thousand years ago and, on the other hand, anthropologists, as Sir Arthur Keith, claim over three hundred and fifty thousand years for the existence of man, there is clear opposition but between what?

Religion and Science? No! but between a view erroneously put forward by a religious sect or derived by false philosophising on the part of a group of Scientists. Amongst those who believe in Religion there are a great variety of religious beliefs, many of which are mutually destructive. Amongst the professed votaries of Science there exist equally schools of mutually destructive thought as a study of the question of Evolution would show. Does all this prove that either Religion is bankrupt or Science is played out? Clearly not, but it shows that false prophets have pretended to speak on behalf of Religion, and misguided or over-hasty votaries have ventured to speak on behalf of Science. Error can quarrel with error, but truth in any order of thought cannot possibly be opposed to truth. If men would calm-

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IPADUA	5,907	29 Jan. 6 a.m.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
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MACEDONIA	11,120	1st Feb.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
TANDA	6,656	5th Feb.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
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Tango Maru Wednesday 20th Mar.

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.

Hakodate Maru Monday, 28th Jan.

Koyoi Maru Thursday, 31st Jan.

SOUTH AMERICA (WEST COAST) via Japan, Honolulu,

Los Angeles, Mexico & Panama.

Anjo Maru Friday, 1st Feb.

SOUTH AMERICA (EAST COAST) via Singapore,

Capetown & Ports.

Bingo Maru Monday, 28th Jan.

NEW YORK via PANAMA.

Tatsuno Maru Sunday, 27th Jan.

Atago Maru Saturday, 2nd Feb.

LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Genoa & Marseilles.

Durban Maru Friday, 25th Jan.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

Bengal Maru Wednesday, 30th Jan.

Malacca Maru Saturday, 9th Feb.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

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TO STRAITS & CALCUTTA	Suisang Fooksang	Satur. 26th Jan at 3 p.m. Satur. 2nd Feb at 1 p.m.
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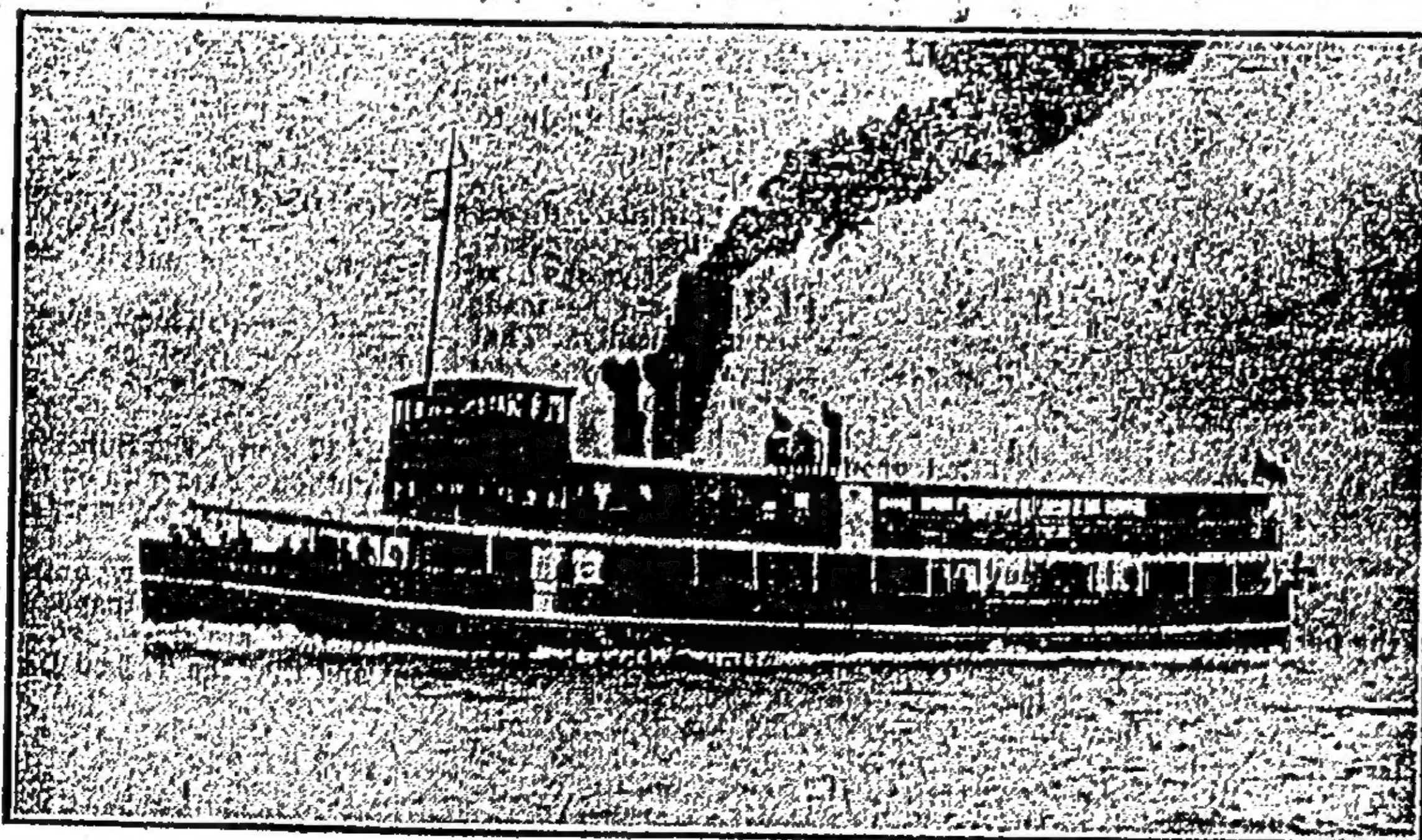
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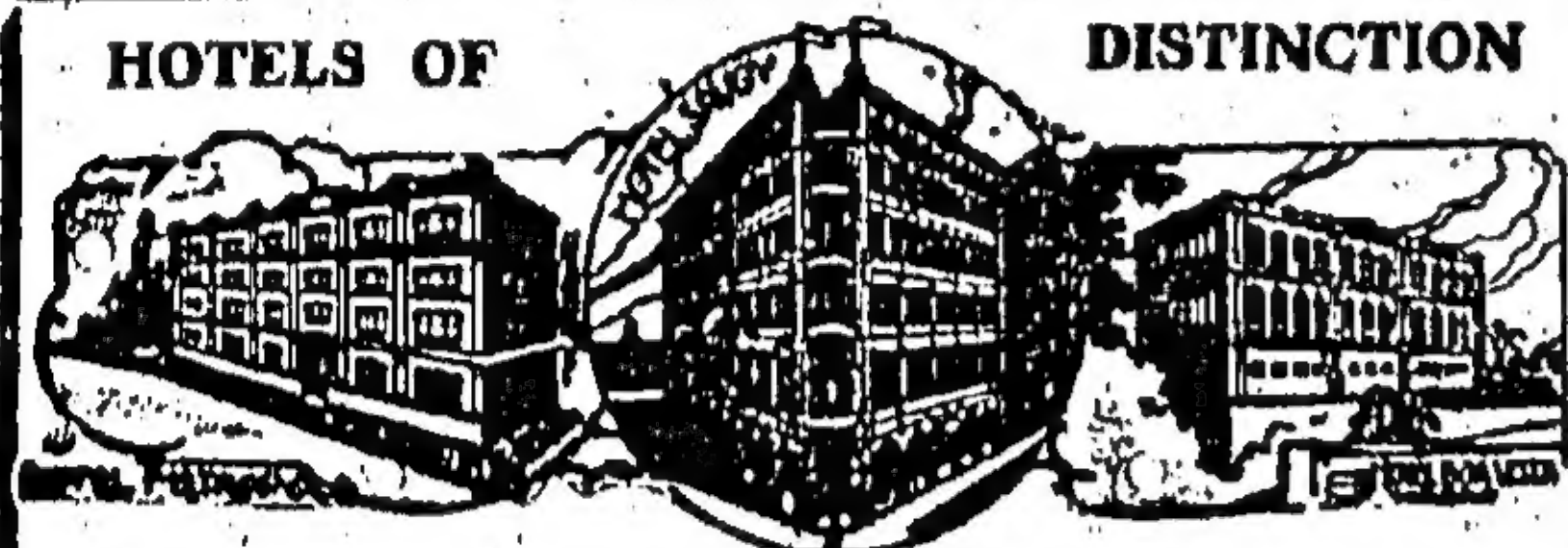
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AEROPLANE.**

MAY FLY FROM CAPETOWN
TO SCOTLAND.

TO BEAT ALL RECORDS?

London, Jan. 23.
Experts in aviation to-day view
ed, at Cranwell aerodrome, an aero-
plane which has been designed to
beat the long-distance feats of any
aircraft yet built, whether heavier
or lighter than air.

It is a new Fairey monoplane,
built for the Air Ministry. This
machine will probably be taken out
to Capetown very shortly.

At Capetown, it will fill up with a
full load of fuel and will attempt a
non-stop flight to the North of
Scotland. Even if the plane only
reaches the south coast of England,
it will have easily beaten the world's
long-distance record, at present held
by Italy with a flight from Rome to
South America.

It is the first monoplane ever
built by the Fairey Company, and
bears a strong resemblance to the
Fairey 3F biplanes, high speed
bombers, over one hundred of which
are now in use by the Royal Air
Force. The engine is a special
Napier developed from the Napier
Lion, as used in Schneider the
Trophy racing machines.

The object aimed at is to bring
every part of the world within 120
hours of England.

It is anticipated that this new
monoplane could, under favourable
conditions, transport any impor-
tant person or document to any
part of the Globe, in three stages,
in five days.—British Wireless.

**HUGE DEAL IN REAL
ESTATE.**

AMBITION PROJECT BY J. D.
ROCKEFELLER, JR.

HEART OF MANHATTAN

New York, Jan. 23.
The greatest real estate deal in
the history of New York has just
been concluded, the leading person-
ality in the transaction being
Mr. J. D. Rockefeller, Junr., who,
it is understood, plans to construct
a magnificent Opera House in the
heart of Manhattan.

The property deal, which has
created much interest in the city,
involves a sum of over \$50,000,000.
Nearly eleven acres of buildings
in the heart of the Manhattan
district will be razed to the ground
to allow for the erection of the
Opera House.

The land covers three blocks,
extending from Forty-Eighth
Street to Fifty-first Street, and it
has been leased at an annual
rental of \$500,000 for 87 years
from the Columbia University, by
Mr. Rockefeller.

Over two hundred houses will
be pulled down, and, if an agree-
ment is reached, the Opera House
built on the site.—Reuter's
American Service.

HSIN WAH INQUEST.

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jackets had been ripped open, and
the cotton wool was protruding as
it was handled about in Court.

Mr. W. F. East, Government
Lighthouse keeper in charge of the
Waglan Light, stated:

"On January 16, at 3.15 a.m. I
was on duty with my assistant,
when I noticed a steamer coming
up from the East, with only mast-
head and port lights showing. I
had expected to see her further
out in the centre of the Channel.
As far as the lights are concerned,
the indication given by them were
that she should pass clear of
Waglan, to the north end of it.

"Coming down the coast she
would be about three miles south
of the ordinary course," stated
Mr. East.

The Coroner:—From the posi-
tion, would you think she was in
any danger?

Witness:—Not from the lights
then showing. I thought she
would pass clear, but very close.
We watched her from the time she
was passing us, until she had
passed the north end of the Island
on which the Lighthouse is. We
watched her going to the north
end of Waglan, and when she got
opposite to the north end, the
starboard light came into view as
well as the port light. She turned
first and struck after.

In reply to a question from the
Coroner, witness said that since
the steamer brought her starboard
light into view as well as the port,
it seemed to indicate that she had
altered course to pass near
D'Agular to make for the western
entrance of the harbour by pass-
ing to the south of Hongkong. He
had that impression when he saw
the starboard light, but whether
she was going so or not he could
not say. As it was, the steamer
was bow on direct to the Island.
The vessel grounded shortly

**THE SCOTTISH CUP
DRAW.**

RANGERS AND CELTIC BOTH
AT HOME.

SENIORS IN FAVOUR.

London, Jan. 23.

In Scottish Cup re-plays to-day,
East Stirling defeated Alloa
Athletic by 2 goals to 1, and King's
Park, who drew with Dundee on
Saturday, gave a poor showing
before their own supporters, los-
ing by 5 goals to 1.

The draw for the second round
of the Scottish Cup has been
made, resulting as follows:

Third Lanark	v. St. Mirren.
Rangers	v. Partick T.
Murrayfield	v. Arbroath.
Aberdeen	v. Queen's Park.
Clyde	v. Hamilton.
Dundee	v. Celtic or Raith.
Albion Rovers	v. Dundalk.
Kilmarnock	v. Blackmannan.
Breadalbane or	v. Bo'ness.
Brochlin	v. Dundee.
Celtic	v. East Stirling.
Cowdenbeath	v. Airdrie.
Fraserburgh	v. Dumbarton.
Queen O' South	v. Falkirk.
Inverness C.	v. Dundee United.
Stenhousemuir	v. Armadale.
Ayr United	v. Motherwell.
St. Johnstone	v. Motherwell.

Matches to be played on Febru-
ary 2nd.—Reuter.

Luck of the Draw.

The favourites, the Rangers
and the Celtic, are both drawn at
home, the Rangers with the more
difficult proposition, that of beat-
ing Partick Thistle.

The draw generally favours the
First Division sides, for even at
this stage of the competition, they
are only drawn in opposition in
six of the matches down for deci-
sion.

It seems probable that twelve of
the First Division clubs will be
among the last sixteen in the com-
petition. Airdrie, conquerors of
the Hearts, go to Cowdenbeath,
while another match of great in-
terest will be that between Third
Lanark and St. Mirren, the first
pair out of the hat.

afterwards, at 3.40 a.m. Witness
said he could tell she had ground-
ed because she became stationary,
began to swing, and sent out dis-
tress signals in the shape of
rockets and flares. Witness tried
to get into communication with the
ship by means of a Morse lamp,
but there was no answer.

Witness stated he estimated that
the vessel had struck a more or
less submerged flat rock that was
known as Table Rock, which
abutted on the most northern point
of Waglan. It was a very dark
night but it was clear, other light-
house lights being visible and also
junk lights. The light at Waglan
was burning as brightly as usual.
The ship would have been able to
see the Waglan light all the time
as there was nothing to obscure it.

Continuing, witness said that
after he had failed to get a reply
from the boat he endeavoured to
get into communication with the
Radio Telegraph office at 3.42 a.m.
By means of telegraph cable he
started to tap out a message, but
the operator at the other end failed
to understand and kept on ask-
ing witness to repeat words.

Time Wasted.

When he (witness) saw that the
other operator could not grasp the
message, and realised that time
was being wasted, he tapped out a
message asking to be put on to the
Supervisor of Government tele-
phones.

Witness then gained communica-
tion on the telephone but found
himself connected to the other
radio operator. Witness tried to
speak the message over the phone
but the operator again kept on
asking for words to be repeated
and spent.

Again realising that time was
still being wasted, witness said he
became angry and asked again to
be put on to the Supervisor of
Telephones. This time he was
successful and obtained direct
communication with the Sub-
Inspector of Lighthouses at
Green Island, to whom he made
a report without difficulty. That
message, said witness, was got
through at about four o'clock,
about 20 minutes after the ship
had grounded.

Took Twenty Minutes.

Mr. Lindsell:—It took you about
20 minutes to get the message
ough?—Yes.

Witness continued that he then
went outside and burned blue
lights. During the 20 minutes
that had elapsed while he was
getting the message through the
same place and was still sending
out distress signals. At that
time she was swinging and ap-
peared to be still aground.

When the vessel first grounded
she appeared to swing right round
as though she was pivoted on a
rock. As she swung back she
appeared to strike again. Short-
ly after four o'clock she either

**MANY INDO-CHINA
PROBLEMS.**

CHINA LIKELY TO MAKE
SEVEN DEMANDS.

PARLEY TO COMMENCE

Shanghai, Jan. 24.

It is officially reported that
the Sino-French negotiations will
formally commence almost im-
mediately between the Nanking
Foreign Minister, Dr. C. T. Wang,
and the French Minister at
Peking. With the French Minis-
ter will be the Governor of
Indo-China and a high official
from the French Legation.

It is understood that the Nan-
king Government has suggested
the following demands:

1. The Chinese Government to
be given the right to buy over
the Haiphong-Yunnanfu Railway.
2. Chinese in Indo-China to be
freed from all taxes which are
considered harsh and unreason-
able.
3. Chinese in Indo-China to be
freed from the poll-tax.
4. The reform of medical
examinations in case of Chinese
emigrants.
5. To abolish finger-prints in
the case of all Chinese emigrants.
6. To improvement for cargo
transshipment facilities between
Indo-China and Yunnan.
7. To establish a Chinese Con-
sulate in Annam.

It is also understood that the
French will demand the establish-
ment of a French Consulate in
Yunnan and the right of domicile
in the interior of China.—Nam
Chung Pao.

**TELEPHONE CABLE
LAID DOWN.**

TO CONNECT NEW HONGKONG
& KOWLOON EXCHANGES.

DONE IN HALF-HOUR.

The task of laying the new sub-
marine telephone cable across the
harbour was successfully accom-
plished by the Hongkong Tele-
phone Company this morning, the
work being carried out in the re-
markably brief period of half an
hour.

The new cable, which arrived here
by the s.s. Cardiganshire from
Home, consists of 100 pairs and is
to be used for junction working be-
tween the new Central and Kow-
loon exchanges when the automa-
tic system is installed.

The work began at 7.35 a.m. and
was completed by 8.05 a.m. As can
be imagined, it involved a consid-
erable amount of preparatory and
testing work by the Company's en-
gineers, who are to be complimented
on the expedition with which the
job was carried out.

**THE BRITISH BOXER
INDEMNITY.**

FUND ACCUMULATING IN
SHANGHAI BANK.

London, Jan. 23.

A White Paper giving an
account of the China Boxer In-
demnity Fund for the year ended
March 31st, 1928, shows the
balance to be £2,353,000.

The Comptroller-General's re-
port is included and it remarks
that no legislative action has yet
been taken in connexion with the
proposals of the Advisory Com-
mittee.

In the meantime, the fund con-
tinues to accumulate in the bank
at Shanghai.—Reuter.

Shanghai, Jan. 23.
Before Assistant Judge King and
a jury at the Supreme Court to-
day, the jury after an absence
of five minutes brought in a verdict
of "Not Guilty" in the case of
Frederick Chaplin, a Shanghai
Municipal policeman, who was
charged with manslaughter in con-
nexion with the death of a Chinese
coolie in the Ward Road accident
on January 12th. The coolie was
shot dead when Chaplin's automa-
tic went off accidentally.—Reuter.

steamed or drifted clear, very
slowly, to a position about a
quarter of a mile to the North-
west of Waglan.

At 4.17 a.m., the Sub-Inspector
of Lighthouses rang up on the tele-
phone to say that the message had
been passed on to the Harbour
Office and the other authorities
concerned. The Sub-Inspector also
stated that assistance was being
sent and that the Taihook Dock tug
had been notified.

Witness then gave instructions
for ropes, lights and lifebuoys to
be taken to the landing stage of
the Island and other places in the
event of any boats of survivors
reaching any part of the Island.

The ship was sinking but it was
still well afloat at that time. At
4.42 a.m., witness stated that he
called up the Radio Office again
and sent through an official
message.

The Inquest is being continued
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